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ONE CENT

INSPECTION OF METERS PART OF SEALER'S WORK

Within His Jurisdiction
According to the
State Law

TO RECEIVE ATTENTION

O. E. Mikesell, County Seal-
er, Says Scope of Duties
Will be Enlarged

Owing to the great interest that attaches to an inspection of water, gas and electric meters, Sealer of Weights and Measures O. Evans Mikesell submitted to an interview in the Washington Observer, found below, in which he says that these public utility meters come within his jurisdiction, but owing to a pressure of other phases of his work he is unable at this time to give them any attention. Sealer Mikesell has received much correspondence upon the subject from various parts of the county and many personal calls relative to the subject. The interview follows:

"I have received so many communications and have been importuned so often regarding the inspection of water, gas and electric meters that a statement at this time will do much to relieve the situation and at the same time set the general public right as to what can be expected in an investigation of these important measuring devices.

"Water, gas and electric meters, devices for measuring water, natural gas and electricity undoubtedly come within the present laws of the state as to inspection of weights, measures and scales or balances. In the act of 1911 are found these words: 'Where not otherwise provided by law, the inspectors shall have the power, within their respective jurisdictions, to inspect, test, try and ascertain if they are correct, all weights, scales, beams, measures of every kind, instruments or mechanical devices for measurement and the tools, appliances or accessories connected with any or all such instruments or measurements, used or employed within the city by any proprietor, agent, lessee, or employee in determining the size, quality, extent, area or measurement of quantity, things, produce, articles of distribution or consumption, offered or submitted by any person or persons for sale, for hire or award.'

"As water, gas and electricity are commercial products sold by public corporations to a general public their devices for measurement thereof are amenable to the present law.

"Many complaints are received at this office about alleged shortages in water, gas and electricity. Whether these complaints are real or fancied the sealer is unable to say. Many patrons of these public utilities complain because they are unable to make a test of their own meters to ascertain whether or not they are getting what they pay for all the time. The general complaint is not so much that the patron is not getting what is coming to him for the amount of money expended, but that he has no way of knowing whether he is getting full measure. Some public utilities inspect their own meters and whether the work is honestly done or not is a matter of opinion.

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**Interest
Over \$700**

County Receives Goodly Sum
on Money Deposited
in Banks

The interest statement just compiled by County Treasurer Samuel N. Downer shows that during the past month the county received \$717.12 interest on county funds deposited under the direction of Treasurer Downer. Since the first of the year the county has received \$7,888.21 in interest through the foresight of the treasurer.

**TODAY
BREAKS
RECORD**

**Twelfth Day, Twelfth
Month, Twelfth Year
is the Lineup**

TOMORROW FRIDAY 13

Today carries off a century record as well as a monthly record. Tomorrow will be a record day also, and according to superstition should be a queer sort.

The century record is that today for the first time in 100 years it is possible to write three "12s" in characterizing the date. Twelfth day, twelfth month, twelfth year is the way it goes. The monthly record is that this is the coldest day of the month the mercury creeping down to from 15 to 20 degrees.

Tomorrow will be Friday the thirteenth, either a lucky day or an unlucky day, depending on the point of view. This day will be the second Friday the 13th, this year, the first one having been in September.

Twenty in. jointed Imported Bisque Dolls, regular value \$1.75 for 85¢ at Pfleghardt's. 120-tl

New Light Train to Chicago.

Via Columbus and the Pan Handle Route. Leaves Union Station, Pittsburgh 6:30 p. m. (Central Time). Connecting Pennsylvania Railroad train leaves Charleroi 5:50 p. m. No. 1184 D-12-19

Framed pictures, hundreds to select from, 10¢ to \$10.00 at Pfleghardt's. 120-tl

A marriage license was granted at Washington Wednesday to Miss Catherine E. Jacobs and Finley C. Morgan both of North Charleroi.

Ladies Desks all popular styles and finishes, \$7.50 to \$25.00 at Pfleghardt's. 120-tl

ALLEGED THIEF EVEN TAKES BED CLOTHES

Monessen Hotels Suffer From Room Burglaries

Police Looking for Slippery Individual
Believed to be Guilty

Monessen police authorities are looking for a slippery individual who is charged with the theft of a lot of bed clothing, doilies, and various articles from three hotels in Monessen. About three weeks ago, the man appeared and asked for a room at the Monessen Hotel. He paid his bill and left after a one night's stay. Later it was found that his room had been discovered the man had left town. It is stated he did not touch jewelry, confining his operations to the stripping of his room, using a suit case in which to pack the goods.

The following night a man thought to be the same one registered at the

**ROLLED IRON DISK
INTO BUILDING**

Boys Before Burgess Risbeck Charged With Damaging House

Three boys with their parents were before Burgess George W. Risbeck Wednesday evening to answer to the charge of rolling a big iron disk down the hill from The Pines into the rear of the home of Andrew McKean. Aged from 7 to 13, the lads seemed to have but slight conception of the seriousness of their offense, but were scared all the same. Burgess Risbeck let them off with a severe reprimand.

Last week the boys took an iron disk from the grating on the corner of Crest avenue and Fifth street and rolled it down the hill. It tore its way through a fence and grape arbor to lodge in the rear of the McKean dwelling leaving a hole two inches deep in the woodwork. The disk was two and a half feet in diameter and an inch thick, weighing more than an ordinary man would care to lift.

**ALLEN TOWNSHIP
ASSESSMENT MADE**

The triennial valuation returns for Allen township for the year 1912 have been filed in Washington by the assessors of the township. There are 413 taxables in the township, 41 more than were returned last year and the total valuation for county purposes is \$617,710. This is an increase of \$196,960 over the valuation returned by the triennial assessor in 1911.

According to the returns there are 43 horses in the township and 53 head of cattle, valued at \$2,825 and \$1,905 respectively. One hundred and sixty-three acres of coal lands valued at \$95,475 are returned. An increase of 15 acres is shown in the returns of this year over those of last year, and the valuation of the coal lands is increased \$50,375 over the assessment of a year ago. Cleared land to the number of 1,407 acres were returned, 15 acres less than were returned last year. This probably means the 15 acres lapsed back into barbarism and were unproductive.

The assessment on occupations this year was \$37,875 against \$34,100 a year ago, while the value of houses and lots this year was assessed at \$271,490, as against \$229,750 last year. The return shows that Allen township has declined agriculturally in the past year, but has made substantial gains industrially.

BRING THE CHILDREN TO TOYLAND.

Why not stop in with the Children and show them a real pleasure by showing them through our Basement full of Toys.

WHAT BOYS WANT

Foot Balls \$1 to \$2.50.
Wagons 75¢ to \$1.50.
Sleds 25¢ to \$1.00.
Post Card Machines \$1 to \$7.50.
Snow Skates, pair 25¢.
Roller Skates, pair 50¢.
Air Guns 50¢ to \$1.
Boxing Gloves \$1.50.
Sand Hoisting Machine 50¢.
Steam Engines \$1 up.
Sewing Machines 50¢ to \$1.
Magic Lanterns 50¢ up.

WHAT GIRLS LIKE

Dolls, Dressed 25¢ to \$2.50.
Doll Buggies all prices.
Play Tables 25¢ to \$1.
Sewing Machines 50¢ to \$1.
Blackboards \$1 to \$2.
Rocking Chairs 25¢ up.
Toy Dishes 25¢ to \$1.50.
Doll House 25¢ to \$1.50.
Toy Groceries \$1 to \$2.
Washing Outfits 25¢ up.
Work Boxes 25¢ and 50¢.
Books of all kinds.
Toy Furniture 10¢ to \$1.

Why Not Books for Xmas?
MIGHT'S BOOK AND TOY STORE

POSTOFFICE SWAMPED BY THE HOLIDAY TRADE

**New Church
The Desire**
Laboratory People Asking
Presbytery to Establish
Denomination

Postmaster McCordie
Applies for Additional
al Help

ASKS ANOTHER CARRIER
Unable Under Present Circumstances to Get Afternoon Mail Out Promptly

Postmaster J. E. McCordie has made application to the postoffice officials at Washington D. C. for additional help during the holidays. His request is for a clerk and a carrier. With the first of the year Postmaster McCordie hopes to secure a regular additional carrier. In fact with the putting into effect the parcels post law it will be absolutely necessary that he have the services of an extra man.

So great is the bulk of mail matter now that it is practically impossible, Postmaster McCordie says, for the force to handle it. Mail received on the 3 o'clock train—in fact from 3 o'clock on in the afternoon—is not delivered over the various routes until the following morning. This the postmaster states is due to the holiday rush.

The morning mail both north and south is the heaviest, as a matter of fact. This the carriers deliver during the morning and even have to spend a part of the afternoon on it. Noon mail arrives at such a time that the attention of the clerks and carriers is required to handle it late in the afternoon, leaving the after 3 o'clock mails to be sorted ready for delivery the first thing in the morning.

With an extra carrier, Postmaster McCordie is of the opinion that good holiday service can be maintained. Without extra help such service will be impossible. He will make an effort to secure two additional carriers for six days during the busiest season.

COULD FURNISH A REGIMENT HERE

Should Capt. Richmond Hobson's annual war scare be founded upon fact and should the United States be called upon to fight any one of the several nations, Charleroi could supply one good sized regiment and have enough men left to form a company, all necessary officers being included.

According to the military enrollment taken in his assessment by Assessor J. L. Reeves, there are about 1,100 men in Charleroi, who could be called upon to perform military duty.

This is an increase of about 100 men from the figures taken last year.

It takes under the old military law approximately 1,000 men to form a regiment and 100 men to form a company.

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Notice.
Riggs and Stech, the most up-to-date Shoe Store in the valley will give to each and every new born baby, a pair of soft sole shoes. Call at our store and make your selection.

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THE GIFT FOR YOU AND YOURS

If you would be best served and well pleased with your holiday purchases you will come in at once, as every advantage goes with early selections.

Remember a visit to this store does not incur any obligation to buy.

Our stock is superb; our facilities never better, and our willingness to serve you truly sincere.

By paying a small deposit you may have any article laid away for Xmas.

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Three Months.....	.75

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TELEPHONES

Bell 76 Charleroi 76

Member of the Monongahela Valley Press Association.

ADVERTISING RATES

DISPLAY—Fifteen cents per inch, first insertion. Rates for large space contracts made known on application.

READING NOTICES—Such as business locals, notices of meetings, resolutions of respect, cards of thanks etc., 5 cents per line.

LEGAL NOTICES—Legal, official, and similar advertising including that in settlement of estates, public sales, stock estray notices, notices to teachers, 10 cents per line, first insertion, 5 cents a line each additional insertion.

LOCAL AGENCIES

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Mrs. Belle Sharpnack....Lock No. 4
T. Hixbaugh.....Belle Vernon

IT COSTS TOO MUCH.

The Baroness Bertha von Suttner, in an address in the interest of universal peace at Brooklyn recently, stated that with woman suffrage the world over, wars and military armament would be abolished throughout civilization. The thrifty housewife, the Baroness said, would never consent to the expenditure of 66 cents out of every dollar of the family income just for the employment of a watchdog.

This is in effect what the European nations are expending. The preparation for war costs too much. Battleships that cost from five to eight million dollars to construct go out of style and are relegated to the scrap heap with the same facility as women's millinery. Every so often our own military board takes a notion to change the style of army rifle, and guns that cost the government \$18 to manufacture are sold at retail in department stores for \$1.50. The cost of a single battleship would build a town the size of Charleroi, pave all the streets, install water works and sewers, and provide better housing conditions than the town now has.

It costs the people of the United States in round numbers \$226,000,000 a year for its military and naval armament, and then, we are told we have nothing to brag of, as military armament goes.

Our navy is fair, but so far as our army goes we do not rank with Bulgaria, a semi-operate kingdom, in point of military effectiveness. With all this huge expenditure, we are told by military sharps that we are unprepared to put up a fight on land in case of attack. So, what's the use? Instead of building battleships let us build houses for the people. Instead of appropriating money to kill people, let us appropriate money to help them to live. The world is progressing, and the mediaeval theory of military prowess is the thing that should go to the scrap heap. Sixty-six cents out of every dollar of income is too much money to pay for a watch dog that does not watch.

WELCOME INTELLIGENCE.
The announcement that O. Evans Mikesell, county sealer of weights and measures, interprets the law to include inspection of meters, as well as weights and measures, is a most welcome one to the public. The con-

Our Moving Picture Show



From a blacksmith he became a steel king
He had everything money could bring;
Then his clerks he did call,
Gave a million to all,
People said he did just the right thing.

Watch this space tomorrow

PICKED UP IN PASSING

sumer of a product now measured by a meter will feel that he has some redress in case of a dispute, and the fact that he does not have to submit to the arbitrary dictates of the corporation agent gives a sense of security that did not otherwise prevail. It is now doubtful whether or not a water company can compel a consumer to pay for the meter that is used to measure the product sold, any more than a grocer can compel his patrons to furnish the scales for the groceries the latter may buy. If the law places the inspection of the meters under the jurisdiction of the county sealer, it is certainly up to the water company to furnish a correct measure for the product it sells, the same as a grocer, a butcher or any other kind of dealer that sells by weight or measure. The regulation of the water company compelling the consumer to buy a meter from the company at the latter's own price and pay for its inspection should be tested at once.

With a good public utilities commission law in effect, the consumer will be fairly well protected. If County Sealer Mikesell's interpretation of the law is correct that meter inspection comes within his jurisdiction, and it is presumed that he has had good counsel on the question, a new aspect is given the meter question. An effective public utilities law will make the corporations play fair, and some of the heavy burdens that have been imposed on the public can be removed.

ELECTRIC SPARKS
Prudent Jeanie. A modest young maiden named Jeanie, Steered clear of all the young men; When asked why so shy She'd naively reply, "I don't care for a gentleman frenie."

"Down at Monongahela is a four-year-old young hopeful, who says his prayers every night at his mother's knee before going to bed. Recently two of the aunts of the lad went south, as one of them was in poor health. The night after they took their departure his mother told the boy to say a prayer for his aunts, in addition to his regular one.

"How shall I do it?" asked the lad. "Oh, just ask God to take care of and bless Auntie Ray and Auntie Alice," replied the mother. The boy made the avowals to his prayer with promptings by his mother, and when he was through he exclaimed:

"Oh, mamma, isn't that two new items?"

A Philadelphia clergyman left a fortune of about \$500,000 when he died. And yet they say the ministry is not a lucrative profession.

Some men have so much to think about they don't have time to work.

Who ever would have thought that yesterday could have pulled off a century record?

One thing about Billy Sunday he doesn't need to use red ink to get attention.

The trouble about revising the tariff is that people always want to know either when are the revisions going to begin or when they are going to quit.

The Chicago News remarks that Mr. Wilson seems to be one of those old fashioned men who prefer to sit for their pictures.

A newspaper doesn't need to tell the folks this time of year they have a chance to play Santa. They know it too well already.

Not a very great increase in the Sunday School attendance has been reported yet.

Washington county might easily claim relationship to the President-elect. It has a town named Woodrow.

GET THEM AT

C. R. NEWCOMER

Exclusive Agent.

from above for several days, covering the earth to a depth of many feet. In fact, they claim that the great desert did not exist prior to the time when this great shower of aerolites came. In Jenckyn's "Trip to Ye Burning Sandes of Africk" the following is told under the head "Another of God's Wonders": "Moreover, the natives of these parts say that it once rained small stones and sandes for a period of eleven days and nights. Much fertile land and many towns and thousands of animals and human beings were thus buried up."

A Garrick Trick.

One of the best of the stories that have been preserved relating to David Garrick's remarkable faculty for impersonation is that one about a holiday that he and the French comedian Previle had when the English Roscius was visiting in Paris.

One morning Garrick and his French colleague were waiting in a diligence to start for Versailles. The driver refused to budge until at least four passengers would undertake the trip. Garrick jumped out and, changing his gait and voice, hailed the coachman on the box and got in again. He repeated the trick three times, each time with a different voice and appearance. The driver, thinking he was now "full inside," joyfully cracked his whip and galloped away with the two actors for his only passengers.

Deceptive.

A lanky country youth entered the crossroads general store to order some groceries. He was seventeen years old and was passing through which stage of adolescence during which a boy seizes all hands and feet and his vocal organs, rapidly developing, are wont to cause his voice to undergo sudden and involuntary changes from high treble to low bass.

In an authoritative rumbling bass voice he demanded of the busy clerk, "Give me a can of corn" (then, his voice suddenly changing to a shrill falsetto, he continued) "and a sack of flour."

"Well, don't be in a hurry. I can't wait on both of you at once," snapped the clerk.—Everybody's.

A Compliment.

"What did he say when you told him he was the worst liar you ever knew?"

"He merely remarked that he had been flattered before."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Hard Luck.

Mrs. Hatterson—What! You've had fourteen cooks in three months? Mrs. Catterson—Yes, and I didn't please any of them.—Life.

Never yet was the voice of conscience silenced without retribution.—Jameson.

Merry Christmas

Why-Not-Let-That

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Pictures

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The Place To Buy Beautiful And Practical Christmas Gifts.

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Special Sale of BISQUE DOLLS

We made a purchase of several dozen imported Bisque Dolls, 20 inches high, undressed, sleeping, jointed, which we will sell from now till Xmas or until all are gone for

85¢

regular value \$1.75

Special Christmas Sale of LADIES' DESKS

We have a splendid line of Ladies desks in Early English, Fumed Oak, Mahogany, Bird's Eye Maple and Quartered Oak. Prices are reduced 25 per cent below regular value and range from

\$7.50 TO \$25

Framed Pictures 10c to \$10

Hundreds of beautiful pictures suitable for Christmas Gifts.

\$15 Oak Extension Tables \$10.50

MAN'S ARTERIES.

And Some of the Causes That Tend to Make Them Harden.

"A man is as old as his arteries" is a common saying among physicians, which has come to be taken up by their patients. Dr. Herbert C. Clapp of Boston in the New York Medical Record comes forward with an article declaring that worry is a common cause of arteriosclerosis, the hardening of the arteries is not infrequently considered as one of the customary and proper accompaniments of a ripe old age—sometimes even of middle life—it is not universally so and that even at four score years, as proved by autopsies, the arteries have been found to be perfectly sound. He cites the case of the champion old man, Thomas Parr of England, who died at the advanced age of 152 and whose arteries were found by Harvey—who discovered the circulation of the blood—on examination after death to be perfectly sound.

Dr. Clapp says that within certain limits the arteries do not harden because they are old, but are old because they are diseased. Among causes for arteriosclerosis he gives overeating, excessive muscular strain and excessive brain work. Worry produces functional disturbances and undue blood pressure. This brings with it arteriosclerosis. He holds that most worries are indulged in without an adequate reason, therefore, and cites the following quotation: "I am an old man and have had many troubles, but most of them never happened."

POPPING CORN.

Why the Heat Literally Turns the Grains Inside Out.

A grain of popcorn is filled with tightly packed starch grains. The interior of the grain is divided into a large number of cells, each of which may be likened to a tiny box, the walls whereof are sufficiently strong to withstand considerable pressure from within. Upon the application of heat the moisture present in each little box is converted into steam that dually escapes by explosion.

To obtain a satisfactory popping there is required a very high degree of heat. This causes the greater part of the cells to explode simultaneously. The grain of corn then literally turns inside out and is transformed into a relatively large mass of snowy white starch.

If corn be old and dry it will not pop satisfactorily. A few cells near the center of the grain may burst, but the general result will be unsatisfactory. At the base of the kernels, where they are attached to the cob, the cells appear to be dead, and it has been observed that these cells are seldom broken in the popping.

Practically all the popcorn raised for market in this country comes from New England. Great quantities of it are popped, buttered and packed for sale all over the United States.—Harper's Weekly.

An Offer Declined.

Dr. Portal, the favorite medical attendant of Louis XVIII of France, was offered an unusual reward for his services. Having cured Vestris of a severe illness, the famous dancing master said to him: "My dear doctor, I should never dream of offering you money. Between artists there can be no dealings except those of gratitude. To demonstrate mine, I will give you a valuable hint as to your deportment. I have often noticed that you have a most ingrateful way of carrying yourself. I can remedy that in a few lessons and teach you how to enter a sick room in such a way as to please the most exacting patient. We can begin now if you like." Much to the amazement of Vestris, Portal declined this offer and so lost the esteem of his illustrious patient.

Top Buttonhole of a Coat.

The buttonhole in one's coat does not owe its origin to the once universally worn flower, but to our ancestors' habit of buttoning their coats right up to the neck. Fashion changed, the coat was turned back forming what the tailor calls the "lapel," and the buttonhole was utilized for the flower, which old portraits tell us was before this time tucked into the waistcoat near the waist, or if a belt were worn, in the belt. The primitive use of the buttonhole is still seen in the overcoat, which has a companion button on the other side for use in rough weather.—London Chronicle

Plaster Casts.

Those who have plaster casts that they wish to preserve may protect them from dust by brushing them with a preparation of white wax and white soap half a teaspoonful of each boiled with a quart of rain or other soft water. Use when cold, and when they are dried the casts may be wiped with a damp cloth without injury. To harden casts brush with a strong solution of alum water and brash with white wax dissolved in turpentine. Put the cast in a warm place to dry after using the latter and it will have a look not unlike that of old ivory.

Had to Creep.

"Why do you say 'A blush crept over the face of the fair plaintiff?'" asks the editor.

"Because," explains the society editor, "there was so much powder on her face the blush had to creep or else it would raise too much dust."

The Clever Ones.

Griggs—Some men are born great, others achieve greatness. Griggs—Yes; and others simply have the trick of making other people think they're great.

AMONG THE THEATRES

America. Bessie Barriscale will be seen in the role of Luana. Guy Bates Post, Lewis S. Stone and Margaret Langham are seen in leading roles.

THE PALACE—CHARLEROI.

With a big four-reel special, "In the Last Hour," and its famous orchestra, the Palace Theatre inaugurated the present week. This feature was a thrilling human interest drama, in which two loving young hearts that had been separated were united at the last hour, and the wedding ceremony performed just as the spirit of life deserted the pain-wrecked body of the bride. A notable picture of the week was a travel film, showing "Fair Ceylon's Isle," together with scenes of the Devil Dancers and other sports of the natives. "The Stroke Oar," was a college play full of spirit and humor, in which the regatta is won by the college eight amid exciting circumstances. "The Mayor From Ireland," was a pretty Irish drama that had its beginning in the Emerald Isle and ends in America. "The Pathé Weekly" had its usual quota of pictorial events that are in the world's eye. Other strong films were "Western Girls," "The Mantle of Red Evans," and "The Dawning." The latter was a two reel Vitagraph, that was a beautiful drama in social life in which a maimed wife learns to appreciate her husband, which is "The Dawning." The week closes with a strong program, supplemented by the music of the famous orchestra.

THE COYLE—CHARLEROI.

One of the greatest motion pictures ever shown at the Coyle Theatre was "Oliver Twist," presented by Nat Goodwin's famous company with Nat Goodwin himself featuring Fagin the Jew. This great film occupied the screen both Wednesday and Thursday, a review of which has already been given. Other notable photoplays of the week were "The Open Road," a delightful rural picture staged amid the scenery beauty of Block Island, "Her Yesterday," was a pathetic drama, in which a wayward woman realized the shame of the life she led when it was too late. In these times of sociological uplift the picture told a pathetic tale of the lack of human sympathy and aid for the fallen. "The Debt," in two reels, was a topline thriller, in which a railroad wreck furnishes the chief thrill of the story. "A Fight for Friendship," "One of the Bravest," "Shanghaied Cowboys," and others were leading films of the week. "The Half-Breed Scout," in two reels is one of the closing films Saturday. Manager R. S. Coyle, announces the engagement of a big feature film for Tuesday, Mme. Sara Bernhardt in "Queen Elizabeth" in four reels.

THE STAR—CHARLEROI.

With a couple of two reel pictures and some that were double, that is, two pictures on one reel, the Star Theatre had a varied and interesting repertoire this week. "Put Yourself in His Place" and "The Men Who Dare" were the two reels, each of which was a striking picture. The former was a dramatization of Charles Read's famous novel of that name. It was an exceedingly strong offering. "The Men Who Dare" is a prison story of a physician who dares to break the system in treating convicts and to inject humanity into the process. "Chiquito the Dancer" was the typical story of a western melodrama, and deals with rough people and their rough doings. It is full of action and entertainments. Other strong photoplays and dramas were "A Brother's Requital," "Capit's Lottery," "The Bolivian Army," "A Tempest in a Teapot," and others. As a special feature Wednesday night Manager Cowan presented Lenneta and her monster living snake, which weighs 215 pounds and is 15 feet long. A good bill is on for the end of the week.

THE ALVIN—PITTSBURG.

"The Bird of Paradise" Richard Walton Tully's play of Hawaiian life which Oliver Morosco will present at the Alvin Theatre, Pittsburgh, next week is claimed to be the greatest folk-play which local playgoers have had an opportunity of witnessing for a number of years. Besides being the first local presentation of this play in Pittsburgh it is the first of the Oliver Morosco production to be seen in Pittsburgh. Mr. Morosco is a Los Angeles producer and is as well known in the west as Henry W. Savage or Charles Frohman in the east.

Tully has succeeded in transferring

with photographic fidelity in "The Bird of Paradise" the spell of Old Hawaii to the stage. He knows well the land that is drenched in eternal sunshine, steeped in the primitive superstition, redolent with romance, wreathed in the abounding flowers, tenuously with the haunting melody and terrible, with the gaunt tragedy of Old Hawaii, still "The Paradise of the Pacific" but now a beautiful part of

TROUBLES OF THE EAR.

Many of Them Are Caused by Abuses of Some Kind.

The best way to care for the ear is to study the things not to do. It is one of the most independent of organs, knowing very well how to take care of itself. If it is duly respected little trouble or none will result. In cases where something unforeseen goes wrong a physician should be consulted at once.

Almost all troubles of the ear are due to abuses of some kind. The ear seems to worry a great many people, and in their concern they usually manage to seriously interfere with its functions. In the healthy ear the wax, or cerumen, is a thin yellowish fluid that thickens into a paste as it dries. Nature provides for its natural exit from the ear passage by uniting it with the tiny flakes of dead skin which fall outward unnoticed either by seeing or feeling. Thus wax does not accumulate in a healthy ear, which has just enough to make sticky the stiff little hairs that grow in the passage.

Instruments should never be poked into the ear by the inexperienced nor wads of material continually mopped and squeezed into the opening for cleansing. Usually such treatment induces an increase or caking of wax. Hot water is the best solvent for wax. Hot water is the best solvent for wax. 105 to 115 degrees F. If the need of it is imperative gently syringe the ear with it. Cotton plugs in the ear are useful at times, but should be used no more than absolutely necessary, for they obstruct the canal and interfere with the natural way of casting off wax. Exchange

THE SUN AS AN ARTIST.

Discovery Upon Which Turn All the Wonders of Photography.

There is a wide variety in the pace at which the sun can give a color or change it. A winter apple may be a month in reaching its ruddiness, a peach may take only one week to flush into its mantle of maturity, but the most nimble work of the solar ray in its decoration of fruit and flower is not to be compared with what it accomplishes in other departments. When its power was brought to bear upon some familiar chemicals it was found that its action was reduced from days to seconds.

Upon this discovery turn all the wonders of photography. At first silver nitrate—or lunar caustic, as it was commonly called—was used in the camera. From time to time other substances of greater and greater sensitiveness to light have been produced, every one of them successively giving the solar beam a wider play and more astonishing power.

Today, with the exposure of a photographic plate, not only are the beatings of an insect's wings caught in the camera, but also the path of a cannonball and the skyward flight of exploded rock and the sinuous gait of lightning—Chilenger Record Herald

Laugh and Live Long.
It has been aptly said that there is not the remotest corner of the inlet of the minute blood vessels of the human body that does not feel some wavelet from the convulsions occasioned by good hearty laughter. The life principle of the central man is shaken to its innermost depths, sending new tides of life and strength to the surface, thus materially tending to insure good health to the persons who indulge therein. The blood moves more rapidly and conveys a different impression to all the organs of the body as it visits them on that particular mystic journey when the man is laughing from that conveyed at other times. For this reason every good, hearty laugh in which a person indulges tends to lengthen his life, conveying as it does new and distinct stimulus to the vital forces.

What Wellington Was Doing.
When Sir John Steell, the sculptor, had the live Duke sitting for a statue he tried to induce him to look warlike. All his efforts were in vain, however for Wellington seemed, judging by his face, never to have heard of Waterloo or Trafalgar. At last Sir John lost patience. "As I am going to make this statue of your grace," he exclaimed, "can you not tell me what you were doing before say, the battle of Salamanca? Were you not galloping about the field cheering on your men to deeds of valor by words and action?"

"Bab!" said the duke in evident scorn. "If you really want to mode me as I was on the morning of Salamanca, then do me crawling along a ditch on my stomach with a telescope in my hand!"

Susy Fervor.
"Well, brother," said the deacon, "that was a fine—er, you made last night."

"Thank you, deacon. I am very glad to hear you say so."

"Yes, it was a splendid oration, long and fervent. And, say, what have you been doing anyway? You can confide in me with the utmost confidence. I wouldn't betray you for anything in the world." Chicago Record Herald

Willing.

"Now," began the philosopher, "take the life of your neighbor, for instance."

"I'd do it in a minute," interrupted the practical man, "if the law would not interfere. He's learning to play the corner."

Chocolate.
Do not take time to grate chocolate. Put the desired amount in a saucier and place over the top of a teakettle until melted.

If You Are Puzzled

TO KNOW WHAT TO GET YOUR FAMILY OR FRIENDS FOR CHRISTMAS, VISIT

LAIRD'S

They Will Help You Solve the Problem

OUR stock never was so complete before. We are now ready for inspection. We will mention a few items to give you an idea of what we have:

FOR MEN OR BOYS

Shaving Sets
Tobacco Jars
Collar and Cuff Boxes
Military Sets
Hat and Clothes Brushes
Neckties
Hose
Cuff Links
Watch Fobs

Smoking Sets
Shaving Mirrors
Writing Sets
Traveling Sets
Umbrellas
Handkerchiefs
Pocket Books
Stick Pins
Necktie Boxes

FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

Dinner Sets
Cut Glass
Pictures
Vases
Comb and Brush Sets
Bracelets
Brooches
Neck Chains
Leather Bags
Neckwear
Linen Doilies
Hand Mirrors
Fancy Letter Boxes, Handkerchief & Glove Boxes
Gold Jewel Boxes

Fine China
Silver Ware
Lamps
Manicure Sets
Sewing Sets
Rings
Belt Pins
Mesh Bags
Fancy Hair Combs
Hose and Handkerchiefs
Scarfs and Squares
Postal Albums

FOR THE BABY AND CHILDREN

baby plates, cup saucer and plate sets, baby spoons, knife, fork and spoon sets, comb and brush sets, ring, bracelets, neck chains, ribbons, pocket knives, mouth organs, pianos, dolls, bears, dogs, books, games, guns, iron toys, doll carts, tool chests, tables, sleds and toy dishes.

Don't fail to see our Sandy Andy, the greatest toy on the market for 50c. Come early and avoid the rush.

A full line of Imported Aluminum Ware. The best made:

LAIRD'S

519 McKean, CHARLEROI, PA.

CHRISTMAS BUYERS

Do you realize that a very appropriate gift at Christmas time would be a full of

SLIPPERS

for father, mother, brother

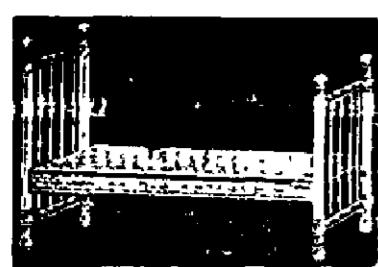
or sister

Be sure to see our line of SHOES AND SLIPPERS before satisfying your Christmas wants

Riggs and Stech

431 McKean Ave., Charleroi, Pa.

READ THE MAIL



**TABLES—BEDS
AND DINING ROOM SETS**

Pretty folding tables 50c
Mission Oak Tables \$1.50
Mission Oak Desks \$1.00

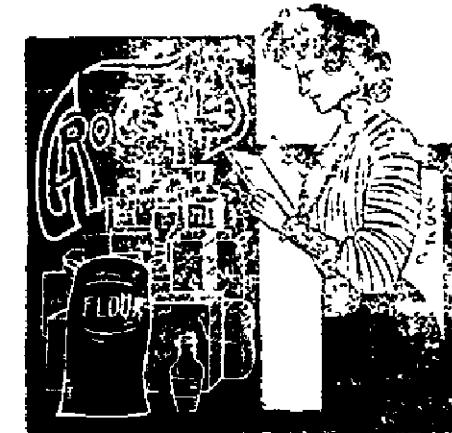
CHOICE 10c

Dressed Dolls	10c
Each one in individual box	10c
Aluminum Table Sets	10c
Attractively put up in neat box	10c
Imported Building Blocks	10c
with A. B. C. and Pictures	10c
Fob Watches	10c
filled with candies	10c
Cameras	10c
Full of candies	10c
Turn Over Games	10c
Lithograph Tin Tea Sets our big special	10c
Big Trumpets	10c

The Charleroi Mail

A Republican Newspaper

Our Moving Picture Show



When the cost of living soared high,
Milady learned how she could buy
Of groceries much more
At a co-operative store,
She saved money and didn't half try.

Watch this space tomorrow

in the uplift of humanity—is delayed and hampered because men still want to use vice as a commercial and political asset. It is one of the great economic problems of the day and it can only be solved when the sex that it is most concerned has an equal voice in the politics that uses vice to further its ends and perpetuates its power. The barbarians made slaves and chattels of their women; the Christian nations have made some progress in ameliorating woman's physical conditions, but they have not reached the stage where a woman is considered a complete human being with all the rights and privileges that humanity is supposed to enjoy.

DISPLAY—Fifteen cents per inch, first insertion. Rates for large space contracts made known on application.

READING NOTICES

Such as business locals, notices of meetings, resolutions of respect, cards of thanks etc., 5 cents per line.

LEGAL NOTICES—Legal, official, and similar advertising including that in settlement of estates, public sales, live stock estray notices, notices to teachers, 10 cents per line, first insertion, 5 cents a line each additional insertion.

TELEPHONES

Bell 76 Charleroi 76
Member of the Monongahela Valley Press Association.

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LOCAL AGENCIES

G. S. Might.....Charleroi
Mrs. Belle Sharpneck....Lock No. 4
J. T. Hixenbaugh....Belle Vernon

WHY WOMEN SHOULD VOTE

The argument against woman suffrage that woman's place is in the home and that she is not to take part in public affairs, is but a continuation of the effort to keep woman enslaved and degraded. It is because woman has stuck to the home and not asserted her rights that the awful conditions of white slavery exist, and it is man that has constituted this slavery and perpetuated it. Now, that woman is showing up the evils, the whole civilized world is horrified at the disclosures. As a matter of fact conditions everywhere are not nearly so bad since the women have taken a hand in fighting the wrongs of their sisters, and it is constantly growing better. Only when women in every part of the civilized world have the right of suffrage, will the problem be solved as completely as it is possible for any human question to be settled.

Starting with the dawn of civilization, when woman was regarded as a chattel, the depravity of man could enslave her in the trammel of operate and for a small sum build a vice. If the world is horrified now and strange house that would meet with the condition of slaves that are the demands of the co-operators. By just now being made ready for the first time, what about conditions in the past, when man's control was supreme and he had full political sway? Apparatus for centuries were kept under cover so as to insure a secret trade and man traded in slaves for political power through his political power in its turn. It is rich in its history, and in its present condition, it is in a state of decay. Men are getting active and that the problem is receiving the thought and attention of the people of the country. Are we not in a House Settlement organization done over the country? Since the day of civilization there has been one of researching in the world, and the greatest problem of man has enslaved her.

This work—the greatest, perhaps,

White Flame
Full, clear—never flickers
FAMILY FAVORITE
The Best Lamp Oil
At Your Dealers.
For the sake of the family's eyes.
FREE—320 page book—all about oil.
WAVERLY OIL WORKS CO.
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Cleveland
Louisville

Had you told the American five years ago that within that and one more year he could be sending a live chicken by mail he would have insisted that your place was in the Willie house.

When a man attempts to be funny by addressing a group as gentlemen "as a fine country to live in, is the difficulty of the jury" he is paying himself the

The Recover Quickly.
The marriage or rather the remarriage statistic in the matriline of Paris lists 2,210 dissolute widowers 14th remarries within a year. The defections increase with terrible rapidity in the second year, which sees 628 relapses from the ranks of mourners. At the end of the third year only thirty seven widowers remain. With the widows it is even worse. None remarries within the first year of their husband's decease, but it is feared that this is due not to infidelity but to the strict legal veto which obtains in France. Once the law's delay is at an end they go off with vertiginous rapidity. Of 1,907 weeping widows in eighteen months only four had not exchanged their weeds for wedding garments—Paris Cor London Telegraph

Norway's Sick Insurance Law
Norway has a sick insurance law which embraces all wage earners and public servants over fifteen years of age whose yearly earnings do not exceed \$322 if in the rural districts or \$375 in the cities. The law also provides that the employer shall pay a certain percentage (one-sixth) of the premium while he is held responsible for the whole, but may deduct from the wages of the insured at the end of the term for which the premium is paid the amount thus advanced. Theoretically it is self insurance on the contributive plan, while actually it amounts to an extra tax upon the employer, as most employees stipulate when engaging their services that the insurance premium shall be paid in addition to the wages.

\$ MONEY LOANS \$

\$10 and Up

We have made special arrangements to supply Housekeepers, Workingmen and Salaried Employees of Charleroi and vicinity with Christmas money, quickly, quietly and confidentially—without a bit of fuss, bother or delay.

NO Assignments or References Endorsements or Pledges

When you borrow from us you have no worries or regrets. Particularly in time of sickness or loss of work do our customers appreciate the courteous considerate treatment that we give at all times from the AMERICAN.

LOWEST RATES-EASIEST PAYMENTS

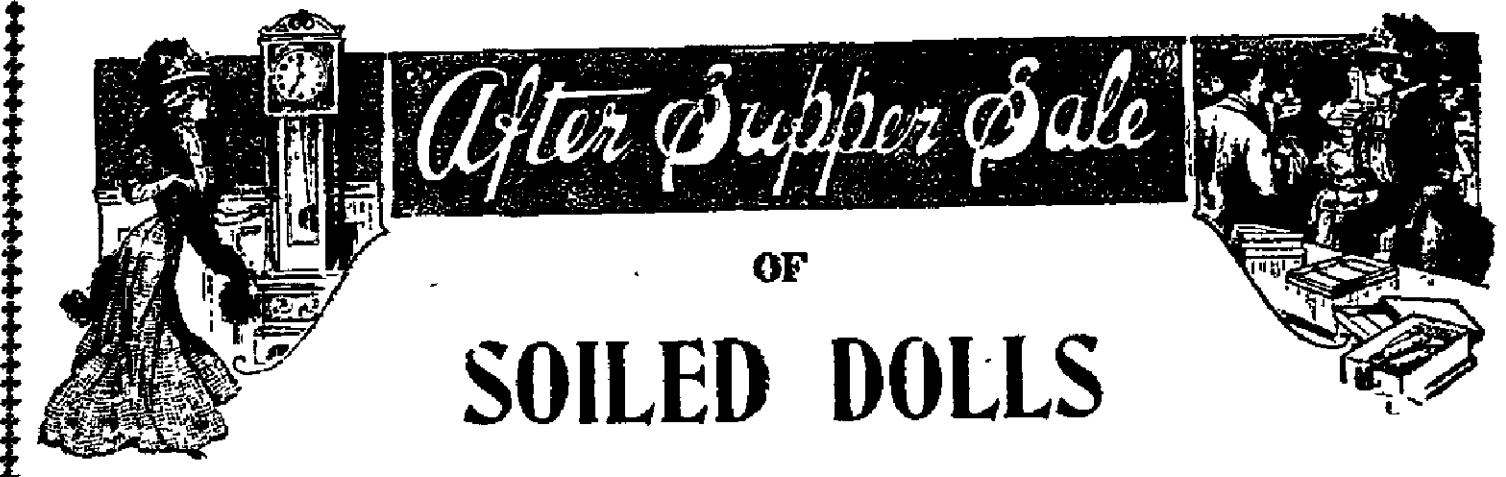
No payment need be made until after January 1st, 1918, on accounts opened before Christmas.

Call, Write or Phone—

AMERICAN LOAN CO.

211 Fifth Street, Charleroi, Pa.
Open Evenings Until Eight O'clock.

\$ MONEY \$



SOILED DOLLS

About fifty in the lot—a rare chance to get an extra doll for that wee miss—dressed and undressed, kid body and jointed, formerly \$1.00 to \$2.00 on sale

Tonight After Supper
Only at Choice.....

25c

Stick and Clark
THE ECONOMIC STORE
McKean Ave. Charleroi, Pa.

The Last Big Game

Football at Charleroi Saturday, Dec. 14

Charleroi vs Sterlings of Pgh.

The biggest and best local game ever presented. Here you can see football as played only by the foremost colleges and universities; fast, scientific, and intensely interesting. The CHARLEROI TEAM will have in its line-up, POSITIVELY, these STAR PLAYERS;

VERY. The sensational end of the Penn State college eleven, picked as the best end of the year, and a man who has played football eleven years school and college, without an injury.

HARLOW A famous Penn State tackle; another All American man.

GRAY Tackle and Captain of Penn State 1910 team.

ALEXANDER End and Captain of W. & J. 1912 team

FLEMING Half Back of the 1912 W. & J. team, picked as first half back of the All Pennsylvania team this year.

MOODY Half Back, and another W. & J. star.

MAUTHE Full Back and Captain of the 1912 Penn State team, another All American player and one of the best kickers ever developed.

THESE MEN WILL POSITIVELY PLAY!

The Sterlings of Pittsburgh have been the Western Pennsylvania Athletic Champions for the past three years. They are big, fast, clean and clever players and will do their best to hold the collegians.

THIS GAME is for the CHAMPIONSHIP of WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA
GAME CALLED AT 3:00 P. M. . . . GATES OPEN AT 2:00 o'clock

To be Played on the Charleroi Base Ball Grounds, a good field, well roped, covered grandstand, ample seating capacity, and in the center of town. Competent Officials.

ADMISSION 50c.

NO OTHER CHARGES

Ladies Admitted FREE

Here is your last chance to see the brightest athletes of the year in action.

A REAL BIG COLLEGE FOOTBALL GAME.

Remember the Date. December 14.

3:00 P. M.

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CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON CO., PA., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1912

ONE CENT

ARRANGEMENTS FOR INSTITUTE COMPLETE

Sixty - Second Annual Meeting to Begin Next Monday

INSTRUCTORS ENGAGED

Some of the Best in Country to Appear—Local Superintendent Vice President

Details for the 62nd annual session of the Washington County Teachers' Institute, to be held at Washington next week have been completed and County Superintendent L. R. Crumrine states that the teachers are assured a high class institute, one that will be of great benefit to every teacher in the county. Mr. Crumrine has secured some of the most able instructors in the country and every line of school work will be touched upon during the week.

Sectional work, designed for the various grade teachers will be held in the morning, in the various rooms of the high school building. Topics of special importance to the primary, intermediate and high school teachers will be discussed at the sessions by the instructors.

The program for the entire week is an excellent one and one that is above the standard of former years.

Superintendent Crumrine will be assisted during the week by T. G. McCleary, superintendent of the Washington schools; Thos. L. Pollock superintendent of the Charleroi schools, and R. G. Dean, superintendent of the Monongahela schools. These schools are outside the jurisdiction of the county superintendent but teachers of these three boroughs will be in attendance.

More tickets were ordered in advance this year than last season. The new school code makes it obligatory for the teachers to attend. Teachers were given the first opportunity to secure tickets but no more teachers' tickets will be sold until Monday morning.

Following are the instructors who will appear before the teachers next week:

Dr. J. D. Moffat, Washington; Dr. Henry R. Pattengill, Lansing, Mich.; Dr. E. B. Bryan, Hamilton, N. Y.; Dr. Jonathan Rigdon, Winona Lake, Ind.; Supt. W. M. Pierce, Ridgeway; Miss Beatrice Waller, New York; Prof. C. G. Prince, New York.

Music will be in charge of Prof. Barker of the Washington schools. Miss Norma Bosson of Charleroi, will play violin solos Thursday and Friday.

Soccer Football

The strong Bedding team will play at Dunlevy Saturday and a good game is expected. Bedding team has not lost a game away from home this season, and Dunlevy has not lost a game at home. This is expected to be the best game of the season. 120-t2

Don't fail to see the O-Cedar mop demonstration when at Horne's and Kaufman's and leave your order for one at the City Grocery. 21-tw-tf

Your credit is unlimited. Come today and open a charge account. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, Pa. 121-t1

Vacation Now for Two Weeks

Schools Dismissed This Afternoon and Teachers Will Attend Institute

This afternoon the Charleroi schools will close for their annual two weeks' holiday vacation. On Monday about 35 of the teachers will go to Washington to attend the sessions of the annual county institute. The following week a number of the faculty will make a trip to Harrisburg to attend the annual meeting of the State Educational Association.

OPTION BILL TO BE A GO

That is Opinion of Anti-Saloon Worker in This State

LEARN THE SENTIMENT

That the proposed local option bill to be introduced in the forthcoming session of the legislature by the Anti-Saloon league of Pennsylvania stands a good show of being passed, is in effect the statement of Rev. Harry M. Chalfant, Pennsylvania editor of the American Issue, the Anti-Saloon League paper. Rev. Chalfant was a visitor in Charleroi over night at the home of his sister, Mrs. John H. Frye, of Fifth Street.

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Pipes and Smokers' Articles at Might's Book Store.

What a \$1.50 Will Do For Xmas. It will send the Ladies Home Journal for one year, or the Saturday Evening Post for one year to any address. Might's Book Store.

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Talent and Habit

Some men have a talent for one kind of work; some are gifted in another; but most everyone can acquire the good habit of saving, by economy and prompt deposits in the Bank. Start an account with us and note your fine progress.

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UNDER CHARGE OF STEALING UNIFORM

Man Supposed to Have Done Hotel Thieving Sent to Jail From Fayette City to Await Trial for Larceny.

Charged with having stolen the clothing, curtains and such like Masonic uniform of a dead man and to have raffled off the sword, a man whose right name is said to be Thomas Carnelli, has been lodged in jail at Uniontown by Fayette City police authorities. Carnelli was arrested at Belle Vernon. He is the man with a lot of names and more nerve is said to have robbed hotels in Monessen and other places of bed in the first place.

THROWS LAW BOOK AND THEN PRAYS

Monessen Man Takes Queer Notions When he Goes Temporarily Insane

Fanatical and religious matters do not seem to blend well in the case of Alexander Dobzeinski, a Monessen Polander, who Thursday it is said became temporarily deranged while concluding a deal for the purchase of a house from the firm of Shuster and Reed at Monessen. Dobzeinski got in action when his wife spoke to him suddenly by seizing a convenient book said to be a large volume of laws and with all the accuracy of an attorney to have harled it at the head of Mr. Shuster.

Performing that act he seemed to consider prayer necessary and knelt in front of a bystander to offer up in a perfect string of Polish his petitions for divine forgiveness. Feeling himself to be without supreme power the bystander moved aside whereupon Dobzeinski began to kiss the feet of the various ones in the office. A girl he seemed to think was a divinity, and he embraced her until she had to be torn away by three men. She forthwith fled, disappearing through a rear window. Finally the police were summoned and Dobzeinski, who from evidences was clear bug house was taken in charge.

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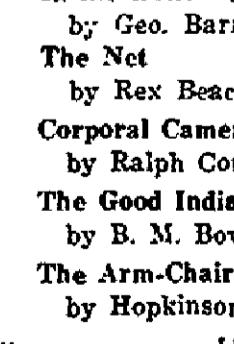
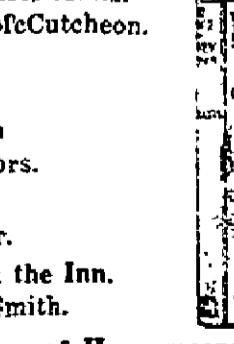
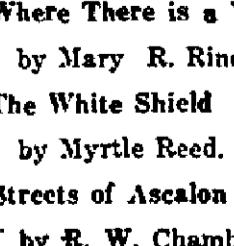
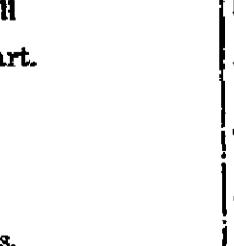
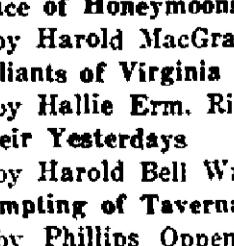
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The Very Latest and Best Books

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by Geo. Barr McCutcheon. |
|  | The Net
by Rex Beach |
|  | Corporal Cameron
by Ralph Connors. |
|  | The Good Indian
by B. M. Bower. |
|  | The Arm-Chair at the Inn.
by Hopkinson Smith. |
|  | Where There is a Will
by Mary R. Rinehart. |
|  | The White Shield
by Myrtle Reed. |
|  | Streets of Ascalon
by R. W. Chambers. |

Why Not Books for Xmas?
MIGHT'S BOOK AND TOY STORE

TWO RAILROADS MAKE READY FOR BIG BATTLE

Election is Claimed

Van Bittner Says He is to Succeed Himself as President of District Miners

While the exact figures will not be known until after Christmas, Tuesday's election to the presidency of District No. 5 United Mine Workers of America, is claimed by President Van Bittner, by a 2,500 majority over Michael Halapay, of Finleyville. It was announced at headquarters in the Ferguson Building, Pittsburgh Thursday that Bittner has a majority of 2,200 in 40 out of the 160 local districts.

It is admitted in nearly all quarters that John P. White of Oskaloosa has been re-elected president of the United Mine Workers of America.

FOREIGN FAMILIES HOMELESS

Friday the 13th, Proves Serious to Monessen People

FIRE DESTROYS HOUSE

Friday the 13th proved a serious day to John Munna, owner of a house and the families of Victor Naturo and John Lovitsko, at Monessen. A dwelling housing the families of the two last named men, which belonged to Munna, at 131 Third street, was practically destroyed by fire this morning at 8 o'clock. The damage will total about \$2,500 with insurance fully covering the loss.

The flames first were discovered at about 6 o'clock this morning, and an alarm turned in. A second alarm was given at 8. Owing to trouble in establishing a hose connection the fire got a good start before the firemen could get water on the blaze. A defective flue is said to have caused the trouble.

Sixty Stores enables us to give you better values on the Credit Plan than other stores can sell you for cash. Open a charge account today. Your credit's good. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 121-t1

Men's Strictly Tailor-made Suits. Made of fine serges or worsted. Come in the leading shades. \$22.50 values, special for \$18.00. Just have it charged. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 121-t1

The Charleroi Market at 409 Fallowfield avenue received a fine lot of fresh rabbits this morning. 121-t1

If you would be best served and well pleased with your holiday purchases you will come in at once, as every advantage goes with early selections.

Remember a visit to this store does not incur any obligation to buy.

Our stock is superb; our facilities never better, and our willingness to serve you truly sincere.

By paying a small deposit you may have any article laid away for Xmas.

We will cash Christmas Saving's Club checks here.

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THE GIFT FOR YOU AND YOURS

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John B. Schafer Manufacturing Jeweler

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THE "GOBLIN FRIAR."

One of the Specters That Are Said to Haunt Newstead Abbey.

Newstead abbey, the home of Lord Byron, has the reputation of being haunted by more than one specter, and many curious noises and strange sights have been heard and seen by residents and visitors there. But the best known and most noted specter connected with the place and immortalized in Byron's verse is the "Goblin Friar." The particular chamber which this specter is supposed especially to frequent and which is known particularly as the "haunted chamber" adjoins Byron's bedroom. Lord Byron and many others not only believed in the existence of the Black Friar, but asserted that they had really seen it. It did not confine its visitations, however, to the "haunted chamber," but at night walked the cloisters and other portions of the abbey.

A monk arrayed in cowl and beads and dusky garb appeared.

Now in the moonlight and now lapsed in shade,

With steps that trod as heavy, yet unheard.

This apparition is the evil genius of the Byrons, and its appearance portends misfortune of some kind to the member of the family to whom it appears. Lord Byron fully believed that he had held this apparition a short time before the greatest misfortune of his life. His ill starred union with Miss Milbanke. Alluding to his belief in these terrors, he said:

I merely mean to say what Johnson said—that in the course of some six thousand years

All nations have believed that from the dead

A visitor at intervals appears,

And what is strangest upon this strange head

Is that whatever bars the reason rears

Ghosts such beliefs there's something stronger still

In its behalf, let those deny who will.

Kansas City Star.

HAYDN AND THE ROD.

When the Budding Composer Was Flogged by Royal Command.

An amusing incident of the healthy boyhood of the great composer, Joseph Haydn, is given by Mary Maxwell Moffat in her biography of the Austrian empress, Maria Theresa.

When von Reutter became choirmaster of St. Stephen's cathedral he had Joseph Haydn among his pupils.

During a visit to the Hungarian Prince Esterhazy, in 1772, Maria Theresa took occasion to say a word of praise to Haydn, who had composed the music of the opera given in her honor and had conducted the performance. She expressed the conviction that she had seen him before, although she could not remember the occasion.

"The last time your majesty was pleased to take notice of me," said Haydn, "you ordered me a good thrashing."

"That does not sound like me," retorted the empress. "How did it happen?"

Then Haydn told of a Whitsunday when, with other pupils of Von Reutter, he had been brought to Schoenbrunn to sing in the chapel. Between the services the boys took to clambering over the scaffolding of the new wings of the palace. The empress caught sight of them and sent word forbidding the dangerous sport. But the attraction of the scaffolding was irresistible. On the following day the boys were again risking their necks. When Maria Theresa expostulated with Von Reutter his surprise that the ringleader was that young scamp, Joseph Haydn, led her to suggest that the rod be used to improve his memory.

The Glowworm Cavern.

The greatest wonder of the antipodes is the celebrated glowworm cavern, discovered in 1891 in the heart of the Tasmanian wilderness. The cavern or caverns (there appears to be a series of such caverns) in the vicinity, each separate and distinct, are situated near the town of Southport, Tasmania, in a limestone bluff, about four miles from the bay. The appearance of the main cavern is that of an underground river, the entire floor of the subterranean passage being covered with water about a foot and a half in depth. These wonderful Tasmanian caves are similar to all caverns found in limestone formation, with the exception that their roofs and sides literally shine with the light emitted by the millions of glowworms which inhabit them.

Strange Cure For Lunacy.

Our forefathers were so fond of the whip that they seem to have regarded it as a cure for lunacy and even for smallpox. The accounts of a Huntingdonshire parish under date 1691 have the entry, "I'd in charge taking up a distracted woman, whipping her and a few years later eighteen pence is paid for 'whipping two people yet had the smallpox'—London Standard."

How, Indeed?

Small Boy Sister said to ask if you and any invisible ink New Drug Clerk after looking among some bottles—I guess we haven't, at least I don't see any Small Boy (contemptuously)—Huh! How do you expect to see it if it's invisible?—Chicago News.

Tart Retort.

Restaurant patron (facetiously)—I am glad to see your baby has shot up madam. Mother—Yes, sir. You are the only thing that's pleased him since he saw the animals eat at the zoo Park.

If your spirits are low do something and if you have been doing something do something different.—S. B. Hale

A Wonderful Moss.
One of the most wonderful specimens of vegetable life known to the botanist is the "life moss" of Jamaica, Barbados and other of the West Indian Islands. There are several species of tropical plants which have remarkable tenacity of life but the "life moss" and the story of its vitality are almost beyond belief. Its powers to live under adverse circumstances being certainly beyond that of any other known plant. It appears to be absolutely indestructible by any means except by immersion in boiling water or the application of a redhot iron to its roots and branching vines. It may be cut up and divided into infinitesimal particles, and then the very smallest shred will throw out roots and soon grow and form new branches and buds. Specimens of this extraordinary plant have been suspended in the air in a dry, hot room; they have been placed in close, airtight dark boxes, without moisture of any sort, and yet they lived, grew and flourished.

A Sundial That "Struck."
Paris is said to possess more sundials than any other city in the world. In the eighteenth century the sundial was popular in Paris. Every day at noon the sundial of the Palais Royal was the center of interest of an eager crowd. A writer tells of a "great crowd in the corner of the Palais Royal garden, standing motionless, with their noses in the air." Each was waiting for noon, having his watch in hand, ready to set at 12 o'clock. When the Duke of Orleans was altering the palace in 1782 the Parisians were much disturbed, thinking that they were to be deprived of their favorite sundial. But the duke not only preserved the sundial, but added to it a little powder magazine, which was so arranged that it exploded when the sunlight fell upon it, thus notifying every one who heard the explosion that the hour of noon had arrived. Later a canon, which was discharged by the sun at noon, gave the signal.

Information Not Needed.
A middle aged woman went into a shop and without hesitation made straight for the cradle counter. The girl who handled this funeral material was extremely affable. "We have a large stock of crapes," she explained. "Let me show you some new French goods, very popular at this time for every kind of mourning and designed to express every degree of grief. If you will tell me for whom you are in mourning I can fix you out in exactly the right thing."

"Husband," replied the customer briefly.

"In that case," said the girl graciously, "I can tell you just what!"

"Young lady," interrupted the older woman angrily, "you needn't bother yourself. This is the fourth husband I've buried, and I know all about it!"—St. Paul Dispatch.

Harlem in New York.
In 1636 there was a settlement at the foot of a little hill in New York city which the settlers called Slanz Berge, or Snake Hill, but which is now called Mount Morris. As the settlement grew each Dutchman who lived there wanted to name it after his native town. But as each one had come from a different place in Holland they could not agree. Governor Stuyvesant made careful inquiries, and finding that no one had come from Haarlem, he nipped all neighborly jealousies in the bud by naming it Nieuw Haarlem.

Anchoring a Lightship.
A very effective method is employed to keep a lightship always in practically the same position. The ship is moored by three anchors which rest in the sea bed in the form of a triangle. When the tide alters its direction the vessel, of course, swings with it, but only to a limited extent. The ship cannot change right over, as it would if only one anchor were used, for the three anchors each fix it in a different position and do not allow it to move more than a few yards.

The Boy's Mistake.
The teacher asked, "When did Moses live?"

After the silence had become painful she ordered, "Open your Old Testaments. What does it say there?"

A boy answered, "Moses, 4000 B. C."

"Now," said the teacher, "why didn't you know when Moses lived?"

"Well," replied the boy, "I thought 4000 B. C. was his telephone number!"—Pearson's Weekly.

The Other One.
"What is the meaning of 'alter ego'?" asked the teacher of the beginners' class in Latin.

"The other I," said the boy with the curly hair.

"Give me a sentence containing the phrase."

"He wished his alter ego."

She Works at Home.

Hicks, I understand Mrs. Bias has learned how to keep her husband at home. Wicks' Nonsense! Bias is out with "the boys" nearly every night. Hicks—You misunderstand me. I mean the work she does at home keeps him. She's a dressmaker, you know.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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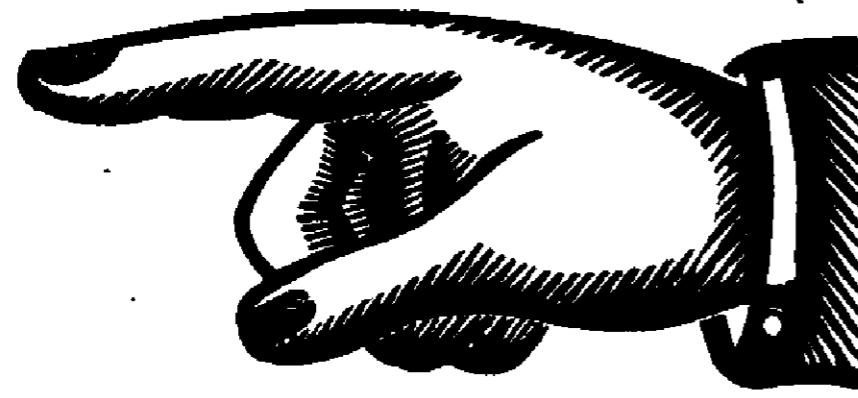
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Suppose troops to be drawn up on a line in such numbers as to extend for a mile and ordered by a signal that all could see to fire at once. One standing at the end of the line would hear the report of the musket nearest him instantly. He would hear the others successively. Thus a report 550 feet away would come to him in half a second, and he would not hear the last report for five or six seconds after the gun had been fired. This would produce a sort of roll, which would gradually increase in intensity.

If the listener stood exactly midway between the two ends of the line the reports from both ends would reach him at once, and the sound would be but half as long in reaching him as if he stood at one extremity. If the soldiers formed a circle there would be one sharp explosion.

Flashes of lightning may be considered as the reports of the guns or

troops along which the explosions occur at the same time. Consider the variety of distance and position of the listener and we account for the variety of sound in thunder. In mountainous regions the rolling is augmented by reverberations or echoes.

Pharaohs Had the Hookworm.

The hookworm has been preying on man perhaps for thousands of years.

A papyrus written 3,460 years ago contains a description of a disease in Egypt which many physicians declare was the hookworm disease. It describes it too accurately to be anything else.

In recent times it was observed in Egypt first in 1833, but the first recorded treatment was made in 1887.

Whether or not malaria was one of the chief causes of the downfall of

Greece and Rome, it is very certain that hookworm disease has played a part in Asiatic history. The anemic condition of millions of people, century after century, has profoundly affected their economic life, their intellectual qualities, their social habits and ideals and their religion. Of that there can be no doubt - World's Work

Parrots and Trees.

There seems to be a species or parrot adapted for each of the more conspicuous kind of trees which are found in tropical forests. Thus, if the tree is a palm which has a single stem and can afford nourishment for a bird only at or near the top of that stem, then the species of parrot that feeds on it is an air bird, capable of flying over the forest in search of such trees. When this is the case the body of the bird is light and the tail long. On the other hand, the parrots which inhabit trees with many branches have stout bodies and short tails and are short winged.

The Strength of a Child.

Medical men assert that, according to well conducted tests, it is shown that the newborn babe is relatively much stronger than a full grown man. The muscles of the forearm are astonishingly vigorous. A few hours after birth a baby suspended by its finger to a stick or to the finger of a grown person can sustain itself in the air for about ten seconds—in the case of particularly strong infants for so long a period as thirty seconds.

When four days old an appreciable increase in the infant's strength may be noticed, and the time during which it can thus sustain itself is about two and one-half minutes for 98 per cent of babies. The maximum is attained in two weeks. Few infants can "hang on" for more than one and one-half minutes, although it is of record that one exceptionally developed child remained suspended for two minutes and thirty-eight seconds by his right hand. After that he continued to hang on with his left for fifteen seconds longer. —*Harper's Weekly.*

Grouchy After Waterloo.

General Grouchy died May 29, 1847, after battling in vain for thirty years against the legend which held him responsible for the loss of Waterloo. A marquis and a Norman, he yet cast his fortune with the revolution, was an object of suspicion in the terror, but soon rose to command as a general officer. In the hundred days he was made a marshal. After Waterloo he withdrew to Paris in good order and proclaimed Napoleon II. Proscribed by the restoration, he found refuge in the United States, but returned to France in 1821. He was restored to his rank as marshal by Louis Philippe and summoned to a seat in the chamber of peers. His son in an eventful military career was made a general, accompanied his father in his American exile and eventually became a senator of France. Marshal Grouchy passed the greater part of his exile in Philadelphia and after his return to his native land lived at Caen except when his legislative duties called him to Paris.—*Encyclopaedia.*

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With his fore paws he seizes by the head the first dog that approaches him and as he is more solidly built than his assailant he holds the dog nose under water as long as he can.

Unless a second dog speedily comes the eager first one is sure to be drowned.

If a companion arrives to help his attacks on the kangaroo make

it to set the dog to free the half-drowned brute is glad to regain the shore as quickly as possible in the way of a long, zig-zag run.

After the dogs drop him some distance he gets up and the brute is now again interested with a bullet.

Queer Bits From India.

In *Wonders and Superstitions of Southern India* Edgar Thurston, the author says:

"On one occasion, when I was at camp at Coromandel, the odds of us being afraid of my evil eyes refused to use a new kind of bricks to the new club members until I had taken them in my departure. On another occasion I caught hold of a ladie to show my friend Dr. Rivers what were the singular contents of a pot in which an old woman was cooking the evening meal. On returning from a walk we heard a great noise proceeding from the old man who had meanwhile returned from work and found the woman seated apart on a rock and sobbing. She had been experimentally trying to boil a piece of cloth in a pot.

"One for 'sw.' says the lender, and places a sow-skin in front of one party, 'one for the old,' and another 'one for the young.' The old man takes the pot and the young ones take the cloth and the old woman is now again interested with a bullet.

A Primitive Partnership.

"There are two partners in a boat in a Yorkshire fishing village who will not separate each because the bank is too far away. They have two mids to walk to get the money orders cashed."

"If you really wish to spare the world as much as possible," said the wit, "I would, if I were you, be taken at my prayers; my face buried in my hands."

Rogers laughed with the other persons present, but he shot a malignant glance at the jester and, it is said, never fully forgave him for the bonmot.

For the Poet's Homely Face.

The poet Rogers was afflicted with a notably unpleasing, cadaverous countenance, which, with all his intellectual power, was a mortification to him.

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NORTH CHARLEROI

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Miss Leila Nutt was shopping in Pittsburg Wednesday.

Pete Coven was in Pittsburg Wednesday.

Mrs. Samuel Gaskill and children were visiting in Monessen Wednesday.

Mrs. Robert Reynolds and daughter Claribel of Fayette City were visiting Mrs. H. N. Boyer Sunday.

Mrs. S. F. Luker and daughter, Mary of Gibsonton were visiting at the home of Henry Luker Monday.

Mrs. Emma Musselman of Virginia is visiting Mrs. J. N. Kibler.

Mr. Hiram Folks and Mrs. Geo. Dennis were Pittsburg visitors Wednesday.

Mrs. H. N. Boyer was in Donora visiting friends Wednesday.

William Parish of Donora was visiting at the home of William Folks Tuesday.

Les Honsaker was visiting in Brownsville Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Chas. Hilman of Monongahela is visiting Mrs. Freeman Crispen on December 20. Superintendent

Mrs. W. H. Hinch of Duquesne visited her sister, Miss Ethel Jackson Tuesday.

Mrs. Joseph Jennings was shopping in Pittsburg Wednesday.

Clarence Bly was in California Wednesday.

Robert Hill of Pittsburg visited his aunt, Mrs. G. D. Masters Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Snow are visiting Mrs. J. A. Morrison at Belmont.

J. L. Connel, Jr., was visiting his sister, Mrs. J. A. Faulk of Dunbar the first of the week.

Mrs. H. W. Williams was shopping in Pittsburg Wednesday.

J. L. Connel was in Pittsburg Wednesday.

Mrs. Clyde Bradley and Mrs. George Dennis were visiting relatives in Donora the first of the week.

Prothonotary and Mrs. A. V. Lewis of Washington are visiting Mrs. Noah Roley.

Miss Grace Phillips was visiting Monongahela the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCreary of Monessen were visiting relatives here Sunday.

Treat yourself to a Christmas present by opening a charge account. Grand assortment of Ladies' and Gents ready to wear garments. Select anything you may need for your self and family. Just have it charged. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 121-11

The person who suggested kisses for Christmas gifts has our most hearty support. The office will be open, girls every day and evening until Christmas.

Suggestions.

You see our line of slippers, all prices—Newcomer's. 121-11

Indian Head slippers at Newcomer's. 121-11

A Desirable Christmas Present



CLASSY SHOES

The cut shows one of our handsome new models in Women shoes.

An ideal shoe for the short Velvet gowns now so much in vogue.

A black velvet, Queen cloth top, fifteen buttons, Good Year welt, Stage last. Price.....\$3.75

This is a choice style, a desirable shoe all through at a reasonable price.

The right boot shop on the wrong side of the street.

J. J. BEERENS
513 Fall. Ave. Charleroi.

STATE COLLEGE CLUB

TO GIVE DANCE HERE

Invitations have been issued by the Washington County Club of the Pennsylvania State College for its fourth annual Winter dance to be held Monday evening, December 30, in the Micht Auditorium, Charleroi. The affair will be one of the pleasing college affairs of the holiday season.

Last winter the dance of the Washington County Club was held at McDonald. The forthcoming dance will be informal.

WANT THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT TO JUDGE DEBATE

Society and Personal

M. T. Crowley is transacting business today in Pittsburgh.

H. J. Booth and J. Russel Blythe are in Homestead and Pittsburg today transacting business.

Mrs. W. H. Coles is visiting in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. D. H. Jones is in Pittsburg today.

Clarence B. James, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. James of Sixth street, has been elected to the Student Senate of the University of Pittsburg, where he is a student.

Mrs. J. F. Donaghay is spending the day in Pittsburg.

Mrs. George Gunderman was in Pittsburg Thursday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Balieu, a daughter.

Men's strictly tailor-made suits. They come in the very newest shades of black, blue, brown and fancy mixtures. Come and have one charged at \$15.00. Your credit's good. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 121-11

Has Nose Badly Hurt.

James Norma, of Waynesburg, who is employed at the North Charleroi Brick works fell from a wagon at that place this morning, sustaining a peculiar injury to his nose. The member was terribly cut and mashed. Dr. H. J. Repman attended the injured man.

A Christmas Treat to Christmas Shoppers. Can you suggest anything that will be more appreciated as a gift than a fine Coat, Suit or a beautiful set of Furs. Open a charge account. Buy now and pay after the holidays. The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 121-11

Don't worry about money. Come and get anything you wish. Have it charged and pay after the holidays. Grand assortment of Ladies' and Men's Ready Made Wearing Apparel. Select anything you may need and just say "charge it." The People's Store, 536 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 121-11

Has Nose Broken.

Herbert Goaziou, son of Louis Goaziou, proprietor of L'Union des Travailleurs, the French newspaper had his nose broken while playing basketball with a Charleroi team against Mt. Washington, at Mt. Washington Thursday night.

BOILS, PIMPLES, ABCESSSES

All Evidence of Impure Blood and a Run-Down Condition.

When the blood becomes thin, poor, devitalized nature cries out through such external and often painful evidence for help, and the safest, surest and most helpful remedy we know is Vinol.

This is because it is a combination of the two most world famed tonics—the medicinal curative elements of cod liver oil (without the oil) and tonic iron for the blood. Vinol strengthens the digestive organs, creates a hearty appetite purifies and enriches the blood, creates strength.

Mary Lang of Altoona, Pa., says: "Ever since childhood, I have been delicate and my blood poor, thin and devitalized. Nothing seemed to help me until I took 9 Vinol and it has built me up and made me strong."

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Notice.

Richards and Stech, the most up-to-date Shoe Store in the valley will give to each and every new born baby a pair of soft sole shoes. Call at our store and make your selection. 118-11

Classified Ads.

FOR RENT—Furnished room. Inquire XX Mail office. 119-11

FOR RENT—Furnished room for two. Bath and conveniences. Apply 926 McKean avenue. 120-12

LOST—Pair of nose glasses on Second street below Lookout avenue. Reward if returned to H. L. Swickey's pool room. 120-12

WANTED—Good girl for housework, foreign or American. Mrs. W. Y. Brady, 401 Meadow avenue. 120-11

FOR RENT—Five rooms and bath. Inquire 337 Washington, avenue. 121-12

FOR SALE—Buff Orpington chickens at 915 Lincoln avenue. 121-12

BOSCOE BOROUGH FIGHTING DISEASE

The laws governing the health of the community at Roscoe as laid down in the statutes of the state must be obeyed. This is the mandate that has gone forth from the board of health, the borough council and the school board.

A joint meeting of these bodies was held in order to come to an understanding regarding certain parts of the disease and when the children law. Cases were brought to the attention of the officials in which the grossest violation of law was manifested.

The health of the entire community was jeopardized through the action of parents who refused to obey the health laws. Children were sent to school and allowed to mingle with other children before the period of quarantine had expired and apparently no attention was given to the matter by parents when their attention was called to it.

The action was brought about by a case of measles at the home of John Patrick. His children it is stated, had been out of school for a number of weeks. He did not have a physician, it is alleged, nor was the board of health notified of the existence of the disease and when the children were apparently better the parents are said to have refused to allow the place to be properly fumigated.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Seraphin Teston, Deceased. Having been appointed Auditor in the above estate, to hear and pass upon all claims which may be presented against said estate, to hear and pass upon all questions which may be raised as to the distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of the Administrator, to ascertain heirs, creditors and persons entitled to participate in the distribution of said balance and to report a schedule of distribution to the Court, notice is hereby given that I will attend to the duties of said appointment at the office of Alex M. Templeton, Esq., Room No. 515, Washington Trust Building, Washington, Pennsylvania, on Saturday, December 28th, 1912 at ten o'clock a. m. at which time all parties interested may appear if they see proper.

Hugh E. Fergus,
Auditor.

D-5-12-19

Trees Are Received.

The first consignment of Christmas trees were received at the local freight yards Wednesday. They are consigned to a local wholesale firm who will distribute them to the various retail dealers. The trees are of the usual fir variety.

CANONSBURG BOROUGH MUST PAY DAMAGES

Mrs. Grace Nicholson was awarded \$300 and her husband was awarded \$100 in court at Washington this week in their suit for damages against the borough of Canonsburg on account of personal injuries sustained by Mrs. Nicholson when she slipped on ice on North Jefferson avenue last February. The borough maintained that all the streets were icy at that time and the plaintiff claimed that the ice on which she slipped had formed because council negligently permitted water to flow across the sidewalk.

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ALLEGED GAMBLERS CAUGHT IN A RAID

The Monessen police raided an alleged gambling joint Sunday night, and arrested the proprietor and three visitors. At the hearing before Burgess Reamer Monday the latter imposed a fine of \$40 and costs on the proprietor, \$20 and costs on one of the visitors who hailed from Pittsburgh and the others were assessed enough to bring the total up to \$75. It is stated that one or two of the visitors had dropped their wads before the police arrived, and that the proprietor and the Pittsburg man were going it alone when interrupted.

JUST JOTTINGS

Few wise men rouse sleeping dogs or step upon the tail of Prejudice.

No woman is too emancipated to marry a Paragon if he asks her masterfully.

An allowance is the right of every wife—but not of dolls.

To speak good English is better than to speak bad French in America.

Many martyrs have been "suffered" for effect as well as for cause.

Man proposes; then woman telephones her chum.

It is not loveless marriages that cause trouble, it is reckless ones.

A locked door is always more alluring to some than one wide open.

Who accurately divines his own limitations has gone far.

Riggs and Stech, the most up-to-date Shoe Store in the valley will give to each and every new born baby a pair of soft sole shoes. Call at our store and make your selection. 118-1f

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Day
Warm
With a
PERFECTION
SMOKELESS
OIL HEATER**

SLEEPING with the windows open is a "first aid" to health and beauty. But it makes getting up in the morning a chilly ordeal.

With a Perfection Smokeless Oil Heater you dress in comfort on the coldest day.

A touch of a match, and the Perfection is alight in a minute. Later, you can carry it to any other room, and breakfast, read or sew in comfort.

In fact a Perfection Heater is just as good as a fire, and much cleaner and more convenient.

It is a handsome heater, too. Ask your dealer to show you a Perfection, or write for descriptive catalogue.

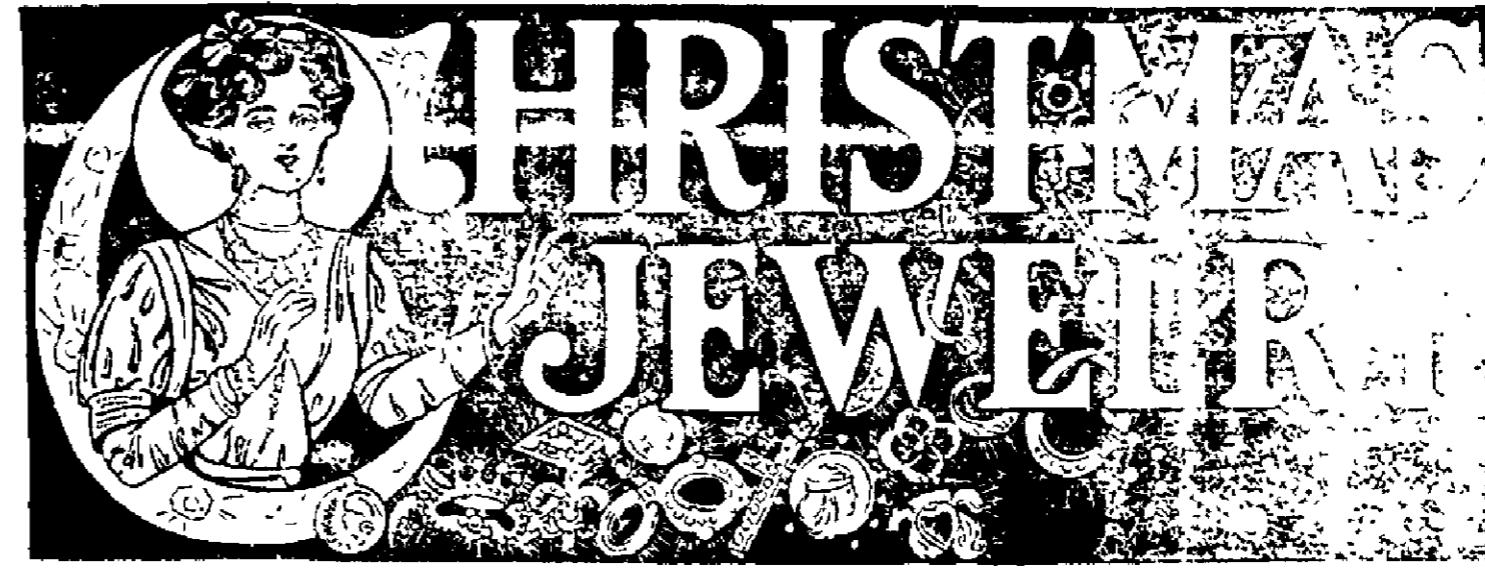
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\$2,150 In Prizes FREE
168 PIECES OF SILVERWARE

But this coupon must be cashed and presented to Leslie Campbell Co. and it will be changed for \$100.00 after Dec. 18. Not good after Dec. 18. Void.



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We offer for your selection HERE the most comprehensive showing we have ever made of appropriate articles for HOLIDAY GIFTS that will both delight the recipient and giver and also have that added value of permanent and lasting charm. Your attention is especially invited to our superb collection.

Diamonds - Silverware - Gold Jewelry - Cut Glass - Watches

GOLD JEWELRY

Rings, Studs, Pendants, Pins, Brooches, Lockets, Necklaces, Bracelets, Chains.

HOUSEHOLD WARES

Silver, Glass, and Pottery, China, Knives, Forks, Spoons, Trays, Bowls, Vases, Pitchers, Jugs, Candelabra, Platters, Tureens, Coffee Sets, Olive and Bon Bon Dishes.

MEN'S JEWELRY AND NOVELTIES

Cigarette Cases, Watches, Fobs, Seal and Emblem Rings, Flasks, Desk Fit-tings, Cuff Links.

In the preparation and selection of our comprehensive stock of diamonds and precious stones, jewelry, silverware, watches, clocks, china and glassware, fancy goods, etc., we have since the establishment of our business, maintained certain standards of quality and excellence to which all articles must conform. Not only must the material and workmanship of each piece be beyond criticism but the style and design must satisfy the best requirements of current fashion and demand.

JOHN B. SCHAFER

WHERE "HOLIDAY PRICES" DO NOT PREVAIL

515 McKEAN AVENUE

Old-Time Punishment

In "Pike's History of Crimes," volume 1 page 226 is found the following copy of the sentence of an old-time traitor. "It is the order of the court that for your treason you be drawn and hanged and beheaded and that your heart, bowels and entrails from whence come your traitorous thoughts be torn out and burned to ashes and that the ashes be scattered to the four winds and that your body be afterward cut into four quarters."

Sugar.
A West India paper says that in 1752 in Spain it is recorded that the Duke of Berwick, who died in 1762 at the advanced age of eighty years, used to eat a pound of sugar every day, and it was found that he was never troubled with coughs and his teeth were firm so that his housekeeper gave this reason:

That when preserving fruits and flowers will also preserve the teeth.

He Remembers.
Mrs. Jones. Do you remember that night in June Henry whom you first asked me to marry you? At least if you refer to that first list single soldier and only one step upon which I ever asked you to marry me, I do and you never gave me another chance either.

His Ancestors.
Jones—So you have succeeded in tracing back my ancestors? What is your fee? Genealogist—One thousand pounds for keeping quiet about them—London Times

DOOMED HIMSELF.

Chief Shavehead Boasted Once Too Often of His Deeds of Blood.

J. Seymour Currey in "The Story of Old Fort Dearborn" describes the massacre of the garrison of the old fort and tells of one instance of poetic justice for the Indians' butchery.

"Bloody retribution," says Mr. Currey, "overtook one of the savages who on the day of the massacre showed no mercy to his victims. This was a chief known as a deadly enemy of the whites and who bore the expressive name of Shavehead because of his peculiar manner of tying up his scanty hair.

"Tears afterward. Chief Shavehead was in company with a band of hunters in the Michigan woods. In the party was a white man who had for many been a soldier at Fort Dearborn and was one of the survivors of the battle on the lake shore. At one of the campfires the chief being of a boastful disposition related while under the influence of liquor to those sitting about the campfire the frightful tale concerning the events of that day, dwelling upon its horrors and boasting of his own deeds.

"He was not aware that one of the whites whom he had so fiercely boasted was at that moment listening to his boastful utterances. The old soldier in heard the tale was madened by the all the well remembered one.

"After a while the old savage departed in the direction of the fort, the soldier with loaded gun in his steps. On his way he passed out

of sight into the shades of the forest. The soldier returned after a time to his companions, but Shavehead was never seen again."

PROPOSALS IN JAPAN.

Quaint Custom of Placing a Plant In an Empty Flowerpot.

In some of the Japanese islands, in houses wherein reside one or more daughters of a marriageable age, an empty flowerpot or an ornamental character is suspended by a ring and suspended from the window or veranda by three light chains.

The Japans of Japan are, of course, as attractive to the Romans as those of other lands. But instead of severe modes of punishment, such as branding and beheading, and other delicate ways of inflicting an impression, it is customary for the Japanese lover to approach the dwelling of his lady bearing some choice plant in his hand, which he boldly proceeds to plant in the empty vase.

This takes place at a time when he is fully assured that both mother and daughter are at home, neither of whom, of course, is at all conscious that the young man is taking such a liberty with the flowerpot outside their window. This act of placing a pretty plant in the empty flowerpot is equivalent to a formal proposal to the young lady who dwells within.

The youth, a gentleman having set his heart on her, and retires and the girl is free to let as she pleases. If he is the girl's sweetheart, it tends to strengthen her love for him.

"John, man, I'm sorry to see you here. We just fine you half a crown."

The girl here intervened.

"But the charge is not yet proved."

"We have not heard the evidence."

"Then the hangman will be there."

"Oh, well, John my man, as the charge is not proved well just fine you there."

London Telegraph

Come—Farm Where Success is Sure

WHY waste time and year out your money in business? California is well prepared for you to turn to the soil. In Northern California the soil is rich, the climate is favorable, you find plenty of labor, and the cost of living is low.

Young families and all fruit and grain grow easily and profitably in Northern California. Stock and dairy cattle go well in California because the climate is favorable all the year round. All kinds of fruit and vegetables are raised, and farms are becoming numerous.

INVESTIGATE THESE WORDS—**"TWENTY'S PLENTY—FORTY'S A FORTUNE"**

Read carefully this table of profits and note the location in the Sacramento Valley are money making.

Almonds	\$ 60 to \$ 100	Lettuce	100 to 200
Apples	100 to 200	Olive	100 to 200
Apricots	100 to 200	Orange	200 to 400
Asparagus	100 to 200	Peaches	200 to 300
Bananas	60 to 100	Pear	150 to 300
Blueberries	150 to 200	Pineapple	100 to 200
Cherries	100 to 200	Potatoes (Irish)	100 to 200
English Walnuts	125 to 200	Potato	100 to 150
Figs	100 to 200	Prunes	125 to 200
Grapes (Raisins)	80 to 150	Strawberries	200 to 300
Grapes (Table)	75 to 150	Sugar Beets	200 to 300
Grapes (Wine)	90 to 150	Tomatoes	100 to 150

"Your Success is Yours — Your Failure is Our Failure"

Write today and learn of people who are making big money on Kuhn's Sacramento Valley Farms, the profits paying the purchase price.

Don't delay if you are interested, write us at once, as every day now sees new settlers moving on this land and the best farms go first.

KUHN IRRIGATED LAND CO., Dept. 28 A

511 WOOD STREET PITTSBURGH, PA.



The Sacramento Valley is unquestionably America's best ALFALFA country.

"In the Toe Tip of the Stocking"



Something from our store should go. A set of beads, a brooch, a pin, a set of buttons—what you like so long as it snuggles down where it will be discovered last, as the best of all gifts should be. Not that they'll cost you too much either—we've learned where and when to buy gifts to our, and your greatest advantage. And Old Santa is waiting just behind the scenes, getting ready to pull the curtain back.

When this final scene is shown you should be better satisfied in the knowledge that there is some gift there, bought from our store. Perhaps it may be a beautiful piece of art goods, some jewelry, a toilet set, manicure set, scissors set, sewing set, a box of handkerchiefs, silk waist patterns, books, perfumes, gloves, umbrellas etc., etc.—hundreds of useful and inexpensive things.

And Remember the Christmas Reductions

Your chance to get a coat, suit, set of furs or a hat at these reductions while we are still in the midst of the season.

A Christmas Reduction of one-fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) off on all Millinery and trimmings. You can get any of our ladies hats at these prices here in the middle of the season, and some of them have just been finished and put in stock.

A Christmas Reduction of ten per cent on ladies coats and furs. It is just the season for coats and you'll more than likely buy one anyhow, so why not buy one at these reductions. Then furs have always been cherished gifts, and if you have thought of giving them why not buy them at our Christmas Reduction sale?

A Christmas Reduction of ladies suits—reductions that mean dollars to you, much room to us in our show cases, and a surplus stock disposed of.

Ladies' \$15 and \$16.50 Suits at Christmas Reduction	\$10.00
Ladies' \$18 Suits	\$12.50
Ladies' \$20 Suits	\$13.50
Ladies' \$25 Suits	\$16.50
Ladies' \$27.50 Suits	\$18.50
Ladies' \$30 Suits	\$20.00

These Christmas Reductions should mean a great saving to you on these articles and the demand for them is as strong as it has been earlier in the season. These reductions are a real Xmas gift to you from our store.

J. W. BERRYMAN & SON

Charleroi's Christmas Store

FIRST DEATH FROM DIPHTHERIA OCCURS

The first victim of diphtheria to die in Charleroi is Anna Stacia Mahoney, aged 5 years, the daughter of Mrs. Johanna Mahoney, who succumbed to the dread disease at 3:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The child had been sick less than a week. The father died last June. Funeral services which were private were held this afternoon.

Framed pictures, hundreds to select from, 10¢ to \$10.00 at Pfleghardt's 120-tl

Xmas Money Saver.

We will send the Pictorial Review and Cosmopolitan to one or two addresses for one year for \$2.00. Can you beat it? Migit's Book Store

Ladies Desks all popular styles and finishes, \$7.50 to \$25.00 at Pfleghardt's 120-tl

A GIFT FOR A LIFE TIME

Contained in a savings account is the possibility of future success and independence.

To present your son or daughter with a savings account opens up the future and aids in teaching the habits of economy and thrift. There is no question of your good intentions when you make a gift in the form of a savings account.

BANK OF CHARLEROI

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\$320,000.

THE ANCIENT TRAVELER.

Outfit He Was Advised to Carry in the Eighteenth Century.

A soon "Traveler's Guide," dated 1780, contains a good deal of serious advice as to the luggage which should be carried.

"Title," says the book, "two suits of clothes, one coffee colored and one blue, a chest tanned, a pair of leather breeches, a sleeping suit, three pairs of stockings, two pairs of gloves, two wigs, one hair in 12, two caps, two hats, two pairs of shoes, one pair of slippers six undershirts, four overshirts, six neckties, six collars, six handkerchiefs, four pairs of cuffs, three cravats, two pairs of cotton hose and two pairs of socks."

But this is not all, as is shown by the following items: "Take a Bible, a book of sermons, a 'Traveler's Guide,' two albums, a diary, a quire of white paper, quills and ink, an almanac, a mirror, a silver watch, a silver snuffbox, a silver spoon, a pair of silver shoe buckles, a silver tie pin, three silver studs, a gold seal ring, a knife and fork with silver handles, a sewing case, an opera glass, a compass, a wavy light and a tinder box, a toothbrush, a silver toothpick, a sword, a silver mounted cane, a padlock with which to fasten your door at night inside, a clothes brush, a box of medicine." —Pall Mall Gazette.

Marking a Book.

There's a dear old chap in this town—too gentle and too modest to put his name or profession into print—who administered a rebuke worth remembering to a young friend. The young man showed him a book in which certain passages were marked with pencil. The older man asked if he might borrow the book.

"I—I can't lend it," said the other. "I borrowed it myself."

"Ah! And who marked these passages?"

"I did."

"Oh, my boy! You shouldn't make pencilled comments in a borrowed book."

"I—I know it!"

"The owner might erase them, you know. Always use ink and so does your wisdom along!"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Mean is Golden.

"How did Jones come to fall?" asked Binks.

"Oh, he had no confidence in himself," replied Jinks.

"And what caused Brown to fall?" asked Binks.

"He was too confident," replied Jinks.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Better Part of Valor.

Nobody ever called in question the courage of the early Spanish settlers of California, but there seems to have been at least one man among their descendants who held discretion to be the better part of valor. A certain Don Andreas was interviewed by his superior officer on the eve of an engagement with the enemy and was warned that the American was a very different foe from the Indian or the Mexican and that courage should not be pushed to rashness in an encounter with him.

"Have no fear, general," was the response of the intrepid caballero. "I would far rather that history should record from where I fled than where I fell."

The general's mind was probably relieved of anxiety concerning the fate of at least one individual in his command by this reply.

Black Under the Eyes Explained.

"In the north country"—so goes the story in "Sun Babies," by Cornell Swank—"in the month of Kartik is worshipped by the women folks the great and terrible god Bhishma. Lighted lamps must be placed at the crossroads of the village, under the sacred fig tree, at the shrine of Shiva, and one little lighted lamp is sent adrift on a raft in the village tank. When the lamps have burned low it is good to rub the black from the wicks under the eyes. It keeps away the evil eye. So that is the reason to this day we women put the black beneath the eyes."

Natural Ear Trumpets.

It has been ascertained that the spiral horn of a wild sheep, when so placed that the ear is in the axis of the coil, makes the direction from which the tickling of a watch comes more easily discernible. Since the ear of the sheep is surrounded by the horn it is inferred that the latter acts as an ear trumpet, not improving the hearing for distant sounds, but disclosing the direction of a sound. This would be useful in enabling the sheep to ascertain the exact points whence sounds come when there is a mist or fog covering its feeding grounds.—Exchange.

Carlyle's Way.

Carlyle appears in a brief reminiscence from the pen of Percy Fitzgerald thus: The thing with Carlyle was to send out for a long churchwarden in clay pipe and a screw of tobacco, which put him in great good humor. He talked to his pipe, as you might say. If anybody said anything from which he dissented you would hear him murmuring. "Oh, the pair auld fool; a regular pair auld fool!"

INSPECTION OF METERS PART OF SEALER'S WORK

(Continued from First Page:

"Many of the weights and measures departments of the various states regularly inspect or 'prove' water, gas and electric meters. It is being overlooked in many places owing to the amount of time and work required to do this work. It would be a large task in this county and require the services of extra help in this department. At present the sealer is swamped with other phases of the work and is unable to give the gas, water and electric meters any consideration. Testers are necessary to 'prove' meters and at present these are not included in the local equipment. It is, however, a very necessary and important part of the work and later will no doubt receive the consideration that it merits.

In many of the large cities there are found testing departments, where a public consumer of these commodities can go to secure the services of one who will test or 'prove' their meters. This service is charged for and must be paid by the consumer insisting upon the test. Taximeters used on taxicabs are also being tested in the large cities and they too come under the weights and measures law. I understand that this work will soon be taken up in the city of Pittsburgh, I mean the testing of taximeters. In reference to water, gas and electric meters Pittsburgh has a department for 'proving' or making tests and all a consumer needs to do is to use the phone and pay the bill.

"Where these tests are made in this way there is general dissatisfaction for it is often charged that the testers or inspectors are reached by the large corporations and their work influenced. My opinion is that generally speaking these tests are honest but the consuming public feels that it is at the mercy of the corporations and insists upon a test by its local government, through its weights and measures department."

MUCH INTEREST IN FOOTBALL GAME

All along the Monongahela valley great interest is being manifested in the forthcoming football battle here Saturday afternoon between Charleroi and the Sterling team of Pittsburgh, for the Western Pennsylvania championship. The mere fact that the Sterlings are to play is sufficient to bring a big crowd. Of greater interest however is the fact that Charleroi will be represented by some of the greatest football players in the country in the persons of Very, Maute, Gray and Harlow of State College and Moody, Fleming and Alexander of Washington and Jefferson college.

Twenty inch, jointed, Imported Bisque Dolls, regular value \$1.75 for 85¢ at Pfleghardt's. 120-tl

The Colonial Shoemaker.

American supremacy in shoemaking is due largely to specialization. Abroad an operative does half a dozen different things. Here he performs one simple process, and here also one factory makes one kind of shoes. If a large manufacturer makes different kinds of shoes he has a separate factory for each kind.

What a sight the modern shoe factory would be to the primitive shoemaker of colonial days, who was an itinerant workman, carried his tools with him and stayed with each family long enough to make up the farmer's supply of home tanned leather into shoes enough to last until his next annual visit. His last was roughly whittled out of a piece of wood to suit the largest foot in the family and then pared down for the successive sizes. He sat on a low bench, one end of which was divided into compartments where his awls, hammers, knives and rasps were kept, with his pots of paste and blacking, his nails, thread, ligines and buttons, "shoulder sticks" and "rub sticks."

—New York Sun.

O-dori Street, Tokyo.

One of the most densely populated spots in the world is O-dori street, Tokyo. The long thoroughfare known as Ginza, which runs from near the Minobashi railway station to the Yodobashi bridge, is made up of seven streets with different names, some wide and modern, some old fashioned and narrow, and if the earth were suddenly to give way wide in that portion known as O-dori street at any hour of the day there is no other thoroughfare in the Japanese city where the results to human life would be more fatal, for here the tide of human life runs the highest. But O-dori street is extremely narrow, so that the density of the crowd does not make the daily figures much above the 300,000 mark.

Unlike most of the other important cities of the world, this thickly populated commercial district of Tokyo is situated outside the city walls.—Sir James Macaulay.

LADIES

The Christmas rush has just started and we know that it will continue. One reason is that our prices are just the same before Christmas as they are at any other time of the year.

We have hired more help for this occasion. The store will be open every evening till 8:30.

We know that if you come here to do your Christmas shopping you will not repent it. We have what you want at the right prices.

EUGENE FAU

514-16 Fallowfield Ave., Charleroi, Pa.

PROGRAM AT THE STAR

FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 9.

Thursday.

Lost Stud—Disturbed Sentry. Gt. Nor. Tempest in a Teapot. Comet Cupid's Lottery. Gau.

Friday.

Chiquita, the Dancer. Men Who Dare, 2 reels. Amer. Rol.

Saturday.

The Wandered. Oh, My Pipe. Lux. Henpeck Bids for Freedom. Lux. Domestic Treasures. Gau.

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FOR RENT—Furnished room. Inquire XX Mail office. 119tp

FOR RENT—Furnished room for two. Bath and conveniences. Apply 926 McKean avenue. 120-tp

LOST—Pair of nose glasses on Second street below Lookout avenue. Reward if returned to H. L. Swickey's pool room. 120-tp

WANTED—Good girl for housework, foreign or American. Mrs. W. Y. Brady, 401 Meadow avenue. 120-tp

A Word to the Borrower

If you are a borrower of this paper, don't you think it is an injustice to the man who is paying for it? He may be looking for it at this very moment. Make it a regular visitor to your home. The subscription price is an investment that will repay you well.

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Gift Slippers, 98c

WOMEN'S and Misses' Wool Crochet Bedroom Slippers—lamb's wool insoles—silk ribbon bows—with or without cuffs—all colors; also Felt Juliets with leather soles—all colors. Also MEN'S House Slippers in tan or black leathers—Romeo, Everett and opera styles. All are unusual values at..... 98c
Other slippers 49c to \$2.50.

\$4.50 Plumes 3.50

A MOST acceptable Christmas gift to any woman—dainty and enduring. This special lot are 14 and 16 inches long with broad fibre and large, full head. In black, white, lavender, navy, pink, light blue, red, old rose and green. Each packed in Holiday Box. Real \$4.50 Ostrich Plumes for only..... 3.50

Magnificent stocks of Willow and French Ostrich Plumes from \$5.00 to \$25.00.

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PERFECT avalanches of bright new Holiday Goods now ready—all that bright minds can conceive and clever hands carry out in the way of plans for your comfort, convenience, service and help have been put into commission. Let us suggest:

—Fine Furniture, Rugs, Sofa Pillows, Screens, Pictures, to make home handsome.
—Toilet Articles in Silver, Celluloid, Ivory, Ebony and all the fine Metals and Woods—single or in Sets.
—Gloves, Fancy Neckwear, Purse, Slipper Coats and other Articles of Personal Wear.
—Fine Leather Goods, Silver Pockets, Pieced Jewelry, Up-to-the-Minute and various other Souvenirs.
—Dress Patterns, Skirt Patterns, Cloaks, Dressing Sacques, Wrappers, Blankets, Comforables, Table Linens and other articles usually spoken of as "practical presents."
—HANDKERCHIEFS, BOOKS, DOLLS, TOYS AND GAMES.

Again let me remind you to shop early—early in the day if possible.

Silk Petticoats, 1.98

Y OU save a dollar on this value. Women's all-silk Taffeta and Mink-lined Petticoats in various colored silks with pleated or tucked flounces—in six shades of Green, Gray, Red, Brown, Black and Changeable effects. Beautifully tailored and intended to retail at \$2.98. If you order today you can get one for just..... 1.98
—Other Silk Petticoats to \$7.50.
—Sweater Coats \$1.98 to \$5.00.

Best Gift for Boys

GUARANTEED WATCH FREE WITH EVERY BOY'S SUIT OR OVERCOAT AT \$3.98 OR OVER (DURING DECEMBER).

TO make Boys and Parents of Boys better acquainted with Campbell Clothier's we have purchased several thousand and GUARANTEED Watches to be given away ABSOLUTELY FREE. At every purchase of a Boy's Suit or Overcoat at \$3.98 or over (during December) The assignment of Watch and Suit Patterns will include every possible want, and we guarantee our prices to be absolutely lowest.

A Suit or Coat and a Watch Free—Christmas Gift Combination—will be most sensible and acceptable.

Notice of Proposed Private Sale.

Whereas, John Jacob Boltze, Executor of the will of Carl Boltze, late of Speers Borough, Washington County, Pennsylvania, deceased, presented his petition to the Orphans' Court of Washington County, Pa., at No. 13 November Term, 1912, for leave to make private sale to John D. Berryman of Charleroi Pa., of a certain tract of land in Speers Borough, beginning at the intersection of the street car line and public road leading to Charleroi, and running with the said public road towards Charleroi, and thence in a northerly direction to Maple Creek, thence by said creek easterly to the said street car line; and thence with the street car line in a southerly direction to the place of beginning, containing two (2) acres, more or less, and being the late residence of the said Carl Boltze, for the price or sum of one thousand dollars.

Notice is hereby given to all parties interested as devisees, heirs-at-law, or intending purchasers that Monday, December 30th, 1912, at ten o'clock a. m. has been fixed by the court for the further hearing of the said petition, at which time any who may object to said sale, or desire to offer an increased price, may be heard.

John Jacob Boltz,
Executor.
D-6-13-20

Co-Operators Best Baking Powder, as good as any at any price. Your money refunded if not as represented. Zateck Chocolate Icing, 2 pkgs 25c 2 lb can 25c

PROGRAM AT THE STAR

FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 9.

Friday.	
Chiquita, the Dancer	Amer.
Men Who Dare, 2 reels	Rel.
Saturday.	
The Wandered	Amer.
Oh, My Pipe	Lux
Henpeck Bids for Freedom	Lux
Domestic Treasures	Gau

She Had Consumption, Was Dying; Now Well

Eckman's Alternative is being used with success in the treatment of Tuberculosis in all parts of the country. Persons who have taken it improved, gained weight, became strong again, and many recovered. If you are interested to know more about it, we will put you in touch with some who are now well. You can investigate and judge for yourself. Read of Mrs. Govett's recovery.

"Gentlemen: Thinking there was a short history of the remarkable recovery of my mother-in-law (Mrs. Anna Govett) might benefit some other sufferers. I give the following testimonial: About September 10, 1910, she was taken sick with General Paroxysmal Cough, which grew worse, requiring a trained nurse. Night sweats were so bad that it was necessary to change her clothing once or twice every night; her cough increased and got so bad that everybody expected that she would not live much longer. Dr. James E. Beck, West Beck St. Michael's Church, at Shreveville, Ind., prepared for her death, he recommended that I get Eckman's Alternative, and see if it would not give her some relief. I then requested the attending physician to give her diagnosis, and he informed me that she had consumption and was very ill and needed aid. When I asked if he thought that it was useless to try the Alternative, he replied that 'No physician could help her any and I could not myself.' So I immediately had Rev. Wm. Borg to send for a bottle. Practically without hope for recovery, I insisted that she try the Alternative, which she did. I am glad to say that she soon began to improve. Now, she works as hard as ever, weighs twenty pounds heavier than she ever did before she took sick, and is in good health. She frankly says, 'I owe my life and health to Eckman's Alternative.' JOS. GRIMMER, (Govett's Alternative). JOS. GRIMMER.

Eckman's Alternative is effective in Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever; Throat and Lung Trouble, and in upbuilding the system. Does not contain poisons, opiates or habit-forming drugs. Ask for catalog of all remedies and write to Eckman Laboratories, Philadelphia, Pa., for more extensive information. For sale by all leading druggists.

W. F. Henning's, Charleroi, Pa.

A Modern Raleigh.

He was a stalwart young citizen, she a charming young woman. They were under an awning. The rain had ceased, but the street was muddy. He did not look like Sir Walter Raleigh, nor did she look like Queen Elizabeth. But probably Q. E. never looked prettier.

"Wuxtry poipers!" shouted a newsboy.

"Say, kid," he said, "are you too busy to earn a half dollar?"

"Well, Bo," replied the boy, "do I look like a cheap edition of Mr. Rocke-by-baby? Show me minn."

"Well, boy, take your papers, spread 'em out from curb to cur track. Cover the mud with 'em. Get busy!"

He paid the astonished boy. The car came. He bowed in courtly manner to the queen. She blushed and said:

"Oh, Billy, you foolish boy!" But she walked over the papered path as proudly as Q. E. could have done.

Then, like Q. E., she sentenced him for life. He is her meal ticket now.—Chicago Record-Herald

"More Bacon."

Many years ago Congdon's tavern in Wickford, Rhode Island, was famous for its good cheer, and in "Early Rhode Island" W. B. Weedon has an entertaining tale of John Randolph of Roanoke, who was once a visitor at the inn.

Mr. Randolph was on his way to Newport and made his journey on horseback with his cousin Edmund, secretary of state under Washington. All the way from New York "ham and eggs" had been the universal fare. At Wickford Congdon said he would give them bacon for supper. The eccentric John of Roanoke rubbed his hands in pleased expectation. Then appeared the host again, saying the tide was too high for clams, but they should have some capital quahongs.

"Good heavens," exclaimed Randolph, who did not know that the quahong is a hard shelled variety of clam, "more bacon!"

The Academy Shine.

The man who has the most brightly polished shoes in Paris today is Paul Bourget. To one of his friends who was marveling not long ago at their incomparable brilliancy he communicated, under an oath of secrecy, this recipe:

"First you wash the shoe so-so with some water. Then you dry it and rub blacking cloth over it. Next you take a second cloth, softer than the first, and rub until the shine is perfection itself. Then with a sheep bone you rub for five minutes to fix the blacking, and that operation puts it in the proper condition to receive the polish, which you spread on with your thumb. All you have to do after that is to let it dry."

For your shoes to acquire the academy brilliancy you polish unceasingly and then polish them some more.—Paris Pete Mele.

Sugar as a Disinfectant.

A custom has grown up in parts of Europe of burning sugar in sickrooms and has been looked upon as an innocent superstition. Investigations, however, have proved the practice beneficial and scientific one. Professor Trilbert of the Pasteur Institute at Paris demonstrated that burning sugar develops formic acetylene hydrogen one of the most powerful antiseptic gases known. Five grains of sugar in several tests were burned under a glass bell with a capacity of ten quarts. After the vapor had cooled bacilli of typhus, cholera, smallpox, etc., were placed in the bell in open glass tubes, and within half an hour all the microbes were dead.—Stoves and Hardware Reporter.

An Inspiring Experience.

A lady who must certainly have related to the late Mrs. Partington recently returned from a seventy day tour of Europe.

To her friends she said with enthusiasm that of all the wonderful things that she had seen and heard she believed the thing she enjoyed most of all was hearing the French pheasants sing the mayonnaise—Youth's Companion.

Consolation.

Motorist (to victim)—What is your name and address? Victim—John Smith, 14 Penn street. Motorist—All right, Smith. Can't stop now, but tomorrow I will call at your house and try and convince you that you should carry an accident policy in the company I represent.—Puck.

A Hard Job.

"I see from your letter-heads, Bilkins, that you are the assistant treasurer of that company of yours," said Withersbee. "Have you got so much money it takes two of you to look after it?"

"No," said Bilkins. "We have so lit it takes two of us to find it."—Harc per's.

Truth Eternal.

All errors have only a time. After a hundred million of objections, subtleties, sophisms, the smallest truth remains precisely what it was before—Ancient Maxim.

About All.

Mother—What do you think you will make out of my daughter's talents? Professor (absent-mindedly)—About \$2 a lesson if the piano holds out.—Exchange.

The Proper Way.

"Hello, old man. How do you find business?"

"How? By judicious advertising, of course."—Exchange.

LADIES

The Christmas rush has just started and we know that it will continue. One reason is that our prices are just the same before Christmas as they are at any other time of the year.

We have hired more help for this occasion. The store will be open every evening till 8:30.

We know that if you come here to do your Christmas shopping you will not repent it. We have what you want at the right prices.

EUGENE FAU

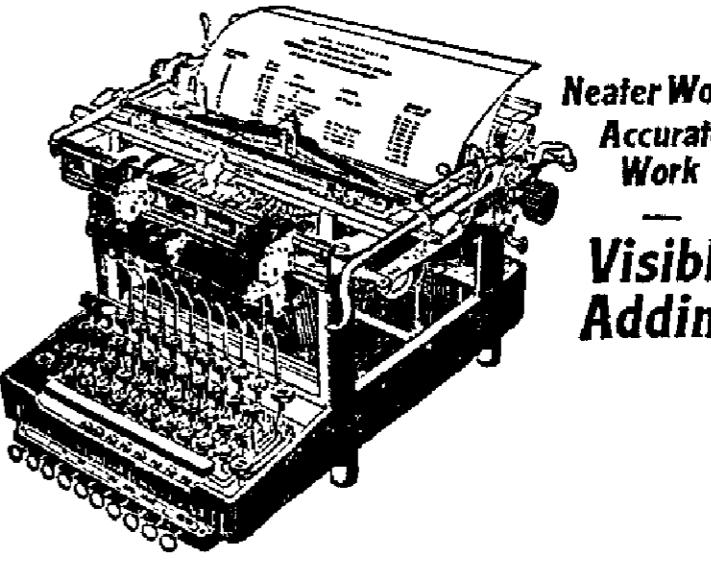
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ONE CENT

INSPECTION OF METERS PART OF SEALER'S WORK

Within His Jurisdiction
According to the
State Law

TO RECEIVE ATTENTION

O. E. Mikesell, County Seal-
er, Says Scope of Duties
Will be Enlarged

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"I have received so many communications and have been importuned so often regarding the inspection of water, gas and electric meters that a statement at this time will do much to relieve the situation and at the same time set the general public right as to what can be expected in an investigation of these important measuring devices.

"Water, gas and electric meters, devices for measuring water, natural gas and electricity undoubtedly come within the present laws of the state as to inspection of weights, measures and scales or balances. In the act of 1911 are found these words: Where not otherwise provided by law, the inspectors shall have the power, within their respective jurisdictions, to inspect, test, try and ascertain if they are correct, all weights, scales, beams, measures of every kind, instruments or mechanical devices for measurement and the tools, appliances or accessories connected with any or all such instruments or measurements, used or employed within the city by any proprietor, agent, lessee, or employee in determining the size, quality, extent, area or measurement of quantity, things, produce, articles of distribution or consumption, offered or submitted by any person or persons for sale, for hire or award."

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**Interest
Over \$700**

County Receives Goodly Sum
on Money Deposited
in Banks

The interest statement just compiled by County Treasurer Samuel N. Downer shows that during the past month the county received \$717.12 interest on county funds deposited under the direction of Treasurer Downer. Since the first of the year, the county has received \$7,888.21 in interest through the foresight of the treasurer.

TODAY BREAKS RECORD

Twelfth Day, Twelfth
Month, Twelfth Year
is the Lineup

TOMORROW FRIDAY 13

Today carries off a century record as well as a monthly record. Tomorrow will be a record day also, and according to superstition should be a queer sort.

The century record is that today for the first time in 100 years it is possible to write three "12s" in characterizing the date. Twelfth day, twelfth month, twelfth year is the way it goes. The monthly record is that this is the coldest day of the month the mercury creeping down to from 15 to 20 degrees.

Tomorrow will be Friday the thirteenth, either a lucky day or an unlucky day, depending on the point of view. This day will be the second Friday the 13th, this year, the first one having been in September.

Twenty in jointed Imported Bisque Dolls, regular value \$1.75 for 5¢ at Pfleghardt's.

120-tl

New Light Train to Chicago.
Via Columbus and the Pan Handle Route. Leaves Union Station, Pittsburgh 6:30 p. m. (Central Time.) Connecting Pennsylvania Railroad train leaves Charleroi 5:50 p. m.

No. 1184

D-12-19

Framed pictures, hundreds to select from, 10¢ to \$10.00 at Pfleghardt's.

120-tl

A marriage license was granted at Washington Wednesday to Miss Catherine E. Jacobs and Finley C. Morgan both of North Charleroi.

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J. K. Tener, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Bush, Cashier.

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Some men have a talent for one kind of work; some are gifted in another; but most everyone can acquire the good habit of saving by economy and prompt deposits in the Bank. Stop in and account with us and note your financial progress.



Open Saturday Evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M.
For each interest paid on Savings Accounts
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ALLEGED THIEF EVEN TAKES BED CLOTHES

Monessen Hotels Suffer From Room Burglaries-

Police Looking for Slippery Individual
Believed to be Guilty

Monessen police authorities are looking for a slippery individual who is charged with the theft of a lot of bed clothing, doilies, and various articles from three hotels in Monessen. About three weeks ago, the man appeared and asked for a room at the Monessen Hotel. He paid his bill and left after a one night's stay. Later it was found that his room had been stripped. Before the loss had been discovered the man had left town. It is stated he did not touch jewelry, confining his operations to the stripping of his room, using a suit case in which to pack the goods.

ROLLED IRON DISK INTO BUILDING

Boys Before Burgess Risbeck
Charged With Damag-
ing House

Three boys with their parents were before Burgess George W. Risbeck Wednesday evening to answer to the charge of rolling a big iron disk down the hill from The Pines into the rear of the home of Andrew McLean. Aged from 7 to 18, the lads seemed to have but slight conception of the seriousness of their offense, but were scared all the same. Burgess Risbeck let them off with a severe reprimand.

Last week the boys took an iron disk from the grating on the corner of Crest avenue and Fifth street and rolled it down the hill. It tore its way through a fence and grape arbor to lodge in the rear of the McLean dwelling leaving a hole two inches deep in the woodwork. The disk was two and a half feet in diameter and an inch thick, weighing more than an ordinary man would care to lift.

ALLEN TOWNSHIP ASSESSMENT MADE

The triennial valuation returns for Allen township for the year 1912 have been filed in Washington by the assessors of the township. There are 413 taxables in the township, 41 more than were returned last year and the total valuation for county purposes is \$617,710. This is an increase of \$196,960 over the valuation returned by the triennial assessor in 1911.

According to the returns there are 48 horses in the township and 53 head of cattle, valued at \$2,825 and \$1,905 respectively. One hundred and sixty-three acres of coal lands valued at \$95,475 are returned. An increase of 15 acres is shown in the returns of this year over those of last year, and the valuation of the coal lands is increased \$50,875 over the assessment of a year ago. Cleared land to the number of 1,407 acres were returned, 15 acres less than were returned last year. This probably means the 15 acres lapsed back into barbarism and were unproductive.

The assessment on occupations this year was \$37,875 against \$34,100 a year ago, while the value of houses and lots this year was assessed at \$271,490, as against \$229,750 last year. The return shows that Allen township has declined agriculturally in the past year, but has made substantial gains industrially.

BRING THE CHILDREN TO TOYLAND.

Why not stop in with the Children and show them a real pleasure by showing them through our Basement full of Toys.

WHAT BOYS WANT
Foot Balls \$1 to \$2.50.
Wagons 75¢ to \$4.50.
Sleds 25¢ to \$1.00.
Post Card Machines \$1 to \$7.50.
Snow Skates, pair 25¢.
Air Guns 50¢ to \$1.
Boxing Gloves \$1.50.
Sand Hoisting Machine 50¢.
Steam Engines \$1 up.
Sewing Machines 50¢ to \$1.
Magic Lanterns 50¢ up.
Doll House 25¢ to \$1.50.
Toy Groceries \$1 to \$2.
Washing Outfits 25¢ up.
Work Boxes 25¢ and 50¢.
Books of all kinds.
Toy Furniture 10¢ to \$1.

Why Not Books for Xmas?

MIGHTY'S BOOK AND TOY STORE

POSTOFFICE SWAMPED BY THE HOLIDAY TRADE

New Church The Desire

Laboratory People Asking
Presbytery to Establish
Denomination

Postmaster McCordie
Applies for Additional
al Help

ASKS ANOTHER CARRIER

Unable Under Present Circumstances to Get Afternoon Mail Out Promptly

Postmaster J. E. McCordie has made application to the postoffice officials at Washington D. C. for additional help during the holidays. His request is for a clerk and a carrier. With the first of the year Postmaster McCordie hopes to secure a regular additional carrier. In fact with the putting into effect the parcels post law it will be absolutely necessary that he have the services of an extra man.

So great is the bulk of mail matter now that it is practically impossible, Postmaster McCordie says, for the force to handle it. Mail received on the 3 o'clock train—in fact from 3 o'clock on in the afternoon—is not delivered over the various routes until the following morning. This the postmaster states is due to the holiday rush.

The morning mail both north and south is the heaviest, as a matter of fact. This the carriers deliver during the morning and even have to spend a part of the afternoon on it. Noon mail arrives at such a time that the attention of the clerks and carriers is required to handle it late in the afternoon, leaving the after 3 o'clock mails to be sorted ready for delivery the first thing in the morning.

With an extra carrier, Postmaster McCordie is of the opinion that good holiday service can be maintained. Without extra help such service will be impossible. He will make an effort to secure two additional carriers for six days during the busiest season.

COULD FURNISH A REGIMENT HERE

Should Capt. Richmond Hobson's annual war scare be founded upon fact and should the United States be called upon to fight any one of the several nations, Charleroi could supply one good sized regiment and have enough men left to form a company, all necessary officers being included.

According to the military enrollment taken in his assessment by Assessor J. L. Reeves, there are about 1,100 men in Charleroi, who could be called upon to perform military duty. This is an increase of about 100 men from the figures taken last year.

It takes under the old military law approximately 1,000 men to form a regiment and 100 men to form a company.

THE GIFT FOR YOU AND YOURS

If you would be best served and well pleased with your holiday purchases you will come in at once, as every advantage goes with early selections.

Remember a visit to this store does not incur any obligation to buy.

Our stock is superb; our facilities never better, and our willingness to serve you truly sincere.

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